

CHURCH LEADER

Resources and information from the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina to your local church.

State Evangelism Conference Set For Feb. 3-4

Calvary Church in Winston-Salem

The 50th annual N.C. State Evangelism Conference will be held one year later than originally scheduled, featuring many of the same speakers and musicians who were to be part of last year's meeting.

Due to an ice storm last winter covering a large part of the state, the 1996 conference had to be canceled in Greensboro.

Speakers for this year's conference, to be held at Calvary Church, **Winston-Salem**, will include Darrell Robinson, SBC Home Mission Board; Paul Powell, president, SBC Annuity Board; Tom Hayes, evangelist, Saluda, and Mike Cummings, director of missions, Burnt Swap Association, Pembroke.

Other major speakers will be Fredrick Sampson, pastor, Tabernacle Missionary Church, Detroit; J.D. Grant, Revival/Mission Ministries, Sylva; Mike Smith, president, Baptist Lay Witness Foundation, Asheville; Phillip Davis, pastor, Nations Ford Church, Charlotte; Ron Boswell, pastor, Grove Ave. Church, Richmond; and Mark Corts, pastor, Calvary Church, Winston-Salem.

There will be a "Special Evangelism Conference for Ladies" on Tuesday, Feb. 4, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., co-sponsored by the Evangelism Division and North Carolina Woman's Missionary Union. The special conference will be led by Irma Duke, state WMU

director; Donice Harrod, state WMU president; and Susan Frost, Hiram, GA.

Musicians for the State Evangelism Conference will be Toby and Susan Frost, evangelism division, SBC Home Mission Board; Rick Setzer, pianist, Hickory; and Patricia Long, organist, Mooresville. Other featured musicians will be the Gethsemane Trio, Greensboro; Becky Smith, Acworth, GA; Valerie Broadway, Atlanta; Trenton Wood, Rockingham; "Three for One," a singing group from Hendersonville; and Chi Rho, a Christian young men's a cappella choir from Wake Forest University and Crosswalk, a drama team from Sanford.

Other program participants will be Roy J. Smith, state convention executive director-treasurer; Greg Mathis, state convention president; Bob Watson, state convention church extension department; Cara Lynn Croom, state WMU consultant; David Turner, pastor, Bethel Church, Statesville; Randy Shepherd and Jamie Johnson, Crossfire Ministries, Asheville; Ed Evans, Winston-Salem; Larry Locklear, pastor, Island Grove Church, Pembroke; and Nelson Searcy, Ed Bullock and Milton Hollifield, state evangelism division.

For more information check the appropriate item on the back page or call (800) 395-5102 or (919) 467-5100, ext. 452 or 453.

EVENTS TO COME

N.C. Baptist Music Conference
Caraway — Jan. 13-15

N.C. Baptist Men's Convention
Greensboro — Jan. 31-Feb. 1

N.C. Evangelism Conference
Winston-Salem — Feb. 3-4

N.C. WMU Conference
Ridgecrest — March 21-23

Southern Baptist Convention
Dallas, Texas — June 17-19

Cooperative Baptist Fellowship
Louisville, Ky. — June 26-28

SPECIAL OFFERINGS

Baptist Retirement Homes —
Feb. 2-9, (Contact: Emily Reaves,
910-725-0202)

Home Missions (Annie
Armstrong) — March 2-9,
(Contact: 800-395-5102 or 919-
467-5100, ext. 235)

Baptist Hospital (Mother's Day) —
May 4-11, (Contact: James Murphy,
910-716-3027)

N.C. Missions (State Missions) —
Sept. 14-21, (Contact: 800-395-
5102 or 919-467-5100, ext. 235)

World Hunger — Oct 12,
(Contact: 800-395-5102 or 919-
467-5100, ext. 402 or 403)

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'Children On The Grow' Conference

TV's Mister Rogers producer; former Carver School dean to be featured

The third annual 'Children on the Grow' conference, a weekend meeting designed for individuals who work with preschoolers, children and their parents, and church staff and weekday ministries teachers, will be held May 9-10 at **Caraway Conference Center** and is sponsored by the Children's Ministries Council of the Baptist State Convention.

Friday night keynote speaker will be Hedda Bluestone Sharapan, associate producer of the popular Mister Rogers television program, broadcast nationwide on the Public Broadcasting System (PBS). Sharapan received her master's degree in child development from the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine and is the co-author of

several books and newspaper columns with Mr. Rogers (Fred Rogers). Her presentation at Caraway will be "Communicating With Children—It's More Than What You Say" as it relates to television, parenting, violence and childhood stress.

The Saturday morning session will feature Diana Garland of Louisville Presbyterian Seminary in Kentucky and former dean of the Carver School of Social Work at Southern Seminary. Garland will address the group on how the church should respond to children's needs. She is the author of the book, *Precious In His Sight*.

There will also be nine discussion groups with opportunities for participants to

respond to both of the keynote addresses.

Cost of the meeting is only \$55 per person (double occupancy), which includes meals.

Additional information will be mailed to churches in mid-January.

You may also contact the Children's Ministries Council at (800) 395-5102 or (919) 467-5100, ext. 224 or 225 or check the appropriate item on the back page for more information.



Hedda Sharapan



Diana Garland

1997 State Bible Drills

Tournaments Schedule

Registration for all state Bible Drills and Speakers' Tournaments is April 9, with drills and tournaments for children and youth to be held across the state from mid-April to early May.

Children's Bible Drills will be held Apr. 19 at First Church, **Franklin**; Trinity Church, **Raleigh**; and First Church, **Valdese** at 9 a.m. and at **Kenansville** (NC) Church and First Church, **Shelby**, at 5 p.m.

One week later, on Apr. 26, children's drills are scheduled at First Church, **Asheboro**; Bethel Church, **Canton**; First Church, **Charlotte**; and Snyder Memorial Church, **Fayetteville** at 9 a.m. and at Baptist Home Church, **North Wilkesboro** at 5 p.m.

Youth Bible Drills and Youth Speakers' Tournaments will be on Apr. 18 at Trinity Church, **Raleigh**; and First Church, **Valdese**; and on Apr. 25 at First Church, **Asheboro**; Bethel Church, **Canton**; and Snyder Memorial Church, **Fayetteville**. The meetings will begin at all locations at 6:15 p.m.

The Finalist Youth Drill and Speakers' Tournament is set for May 3 at First Church, Salisbury, at 9 a.m.

For more information check the appropriate item on the back page or call Sunday School at (800) 395-5102 or (919) 467-5100 ext. 219 or 224.

DiscipleMaking Institute

March 7-8 at Caraway

A disciple making institute for pastors, staff and interested laypersons will be held Mar. 7-8, **Caraway Conference Center**, following the theme, *Discipling Through Small Groups*.

Seminar leader will be Michael Mack, Cincinnati, Ohio, author of *The Synergy Church: A Strategy for Integrating Small Groups and Sunday School*.

Costs is \$55 per person (room, meals, packet, and book). Registration is limited to 60 persons. Contact Laity Leadership at (800) 395-5102 or (919) 467-5100, ext. 202, 205, 209 or check the appropriate item on the back page for more information.

CHURCH PROGRAMS

Media Library Workshop

April 25-27 — Caraway

A weekend workshop to train church media library workers will be held Apr. 25-27 at the **Caraway Conference Center**. The workshop will feature sessions for all levels of church library workers, from the full-time staff member to the part-time volunteer.

Featured leaders will include Keith Mee, media library director, Two Rivers Church, Nashville, TN;

Beverly Chilton, motivational speaker, and Peggy Tacon, media library director, both of Dauphin Way Church, Mobile, Ala.; and Eva Nell Hunter, media library director, Central Church, Decatur, Ala.

For more information check the appropriate item on the back page or contact Sunday School at (800) 395-5102 or (919) 467-5100, ext. 225 or 228.

FIRST PLACE

A Christ-Centered Health Program

Bethesda Church, Clayton — January 17-18

Registration: \$10 before Dec. 20; \$15 after Dec. 20

Check appropriate item on back page for more information or contact Laity Leadership at (800) 395-5102 or (919) 467-5100, ext. 202, 205 or 209.

MasterLife Training Sessions

One-Day Seminars — April; Intensive Training — October

David Carter, Baptist Sunday School Board, will lead three one-day seminars on MasterLife, a biblical process for developing disciples. Fee is only \$5 (includes lunch).

The one-day seminars will be held Apr. 14 at the Baptist Building, **Cary**; Apr. 15 at the Gaston Association offices, **Gastonia**; and Apr. 16 at the Buncombe Association offices, **Asheville**. All three one-day seminars will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Intensive Training for MasterLife Facilitators and Leaders will be held Oct. 27-29,

Southeastern Seminary, Wake Forest, N.C., also led by David Carter of the Sunday School Board. This meeting will equip small group facilitators and pastors/church staff in a deeper understanding of the MasterLife process, resources and strategies.

Materials and resources will be available for purchase at each location or through area Baptist Book Stores. More information is available from Laity Leadership at (800) 395-5102 or (919) 467-5100, ext. 202, 205, 209 or check the appropriate item on the back page.

Assimilate New Members

Topic of Regional Meetings

Churches that have an intentional strategy of assimilating new members grow, retain their members, and activate members in ministry and church programs. Many churches, unfortunately, fail to follow any strategy for assimilating members. Many of these churches "lose members out the back door" almost as fast as they gain new members through the front door.

Three regional conferences on assimilating new members will be held Jan. 3, Eastern Association offices, **Warsaw**, from 11 a.m.-2:30 p.m. and at the Baptist Building, **Cary**, from 7-9 p.m. and on Jan. 4 at the Brushy Mountain Association offices, **Wilkesboro**, from 12 p.m.-2:30 p.m.

Conference leader will be Ralph Hodge, Sunday School Board, author of, *Taking Next Steps: A Guide for Assimilating New Converts*.

For more information call (800) 395-5102 or (919) 467-5100, ext. 202, 205, 209 or check the appropriate item on the back page.

Join A Learning Community

New Trends in Ministry

Are you looking for support, guidance, and help from others as you explore new trends, concepts, and ministries in your church? The Baptist State Convention is developing several "learning communities" for laypersons and clergy.

Topics will include spiritual gifts, creating effective small groups, and customizing ministry.

LifeSupport Facilitator

Training Conference

Helping churches help hurting people will be the focus of the LifeSupport Facilitators Training Conference, Baptist Building, **Cary**, Jan. 10-11 from 7-9 p.m. on Friday and 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. on Saturday.

The conference will feature discussions on helping people from dysfunctional families, adults of alcoholic parents, persons struggling with addictions, sexual abuse, eating disorders, sexual struggles, divorce recovery, and other topics.

Cost of the weekend meeting is \$5 (registration fee only; does not include meals).

Contact Laity Leadership at (800) 395-5102 or (919) 467-5100, ext. 202, 205, 209 or check the appropriate item on the back page for more details.

March Is Mental Retardation Month

Churches are encouraged to observe a Special Education Sunday in March to call attention to the needs of persons with handicapping conditions. Bulletin inserts are available free of charge for this emphasis.

More than 130 North Carolina Baptist churches have special education classes for mentally handicapped persons. Statewide, there are approximately 218,000 mentally handicapped persons.

For more information and to order bulletin inserts please check the appropriate item on the back page or call Special Ministries at (800) 395-5102 or (919) 467-5100, ext. 433.

Eastern Workshop

May 2-3 — Caswell

A special conference on evangelism for all pastors, church staff, and interested laity from churches in eastern North Carolina will be held at **N.C. Baptist Assembly** (Caswell), May 2-3.

"This is your opportunity to hear people who understand the eastern North Carolina mindset," according to Milton Hollifield, state

evangelism director. "The event will offer a variety of conferences, plus a time of worship, singing and fellowship."

For more information check the appropriate item on the back page or call the Evangelism Division at (800) 395-5102 or (919) 467-5100, ext. 453.

Interfaith Witness

April 11-12 — Caraway

An Interfaith Witness Associate Training Workshop, a meeting designed to train individuals who in turn conduct similar workshops in their home churches and associations, will be held Apr. 11-12, **Caraway Conference Center**, and is sponsored by the Evangelism Division and SBC Home Mission Board.

One of the two seminars for the

1997 meeting will be on Mormonism since the Southern Baptist Convention will be held in Salt Lake City. The second seminar will be on the Islamic faith.

For more information check the appropriate item on the back page or call the Evangelism Division at (800) 395-5102 or (919) 467-5100, ext. 453.

**SUPER
SUMMER
'97**

July 24-25

**Paramount's
Carowinds Theme
Park**

Cost: \$12 per person

**More information and
ticket order packets mailed
by April 1, 1997**

**One-Day
Soul-
Winning
Workshop**

March 8

**Montgomery
Association, Troy**

**Check back page for
more information or call
(800) 395-5102 or
(919) 467-5100, ext. 453.**

Making Life For Older Adults...
The Best Of Times!



Week of Prayer: February 2-9, 1997
North Carolina Offering for Older Adults
Goal: \$450,000



Making The Most Of Your Retirement

An Interview With Pat Swann, Trustee, Baptist Retirement Homes of North Carolina, Inc.



Retirees in America today are healthier and more active than ever, according to experts on aging. Many Older Adults are enjoying new lifestyles and even starting new careers in retirement. A little planning and a commitment to good health go a long way toward ensuring that your retirement years live up to their full potential. This year, our Week of Prayer articles focus on the elements that will help you make the most of your retirement years, from continued spiritual growth to choosing the right place to live, and much more.



Pat Swann, BRH Trustee

When it comes to choosing a retirement community, Baptist Retirement Homes of North Carolina Inc. (BRH) is the top choice of many Older Adults. With four retirement centers throughout the state—the Brookridge Retirement Community in Winston-Salem, the Western North Carolina Baptist Home in Asheville, the Taylor House in Albemarle and the Hamilton Baptist Home in Hamilton, and numerous community-based services, BRH offers retirees a way of life especially suited to their individual needs. From independent and assisted living to full nursing care, from home care to nursing and therapy services, BRH is dedicated to providing Older Adults and their families with the help they need.

"Baptist Retirement Homes is continually looking for ways to strengthen our service to retirees," says BRH Trustee Pat Swann. "As the needs of the Older Adult population change, this organization is deeply committed to making sure those needs are met. Our mission is broad, but there's a real vision behind it."

Baptist Retirement Homes is supported through the generous gifts of North Carolina Baptists, allowing us to expand and maintain our range of service to Older Adults and their families, as well as offer care to those in need. When you make a gift to the **North Carolina Offering for Older Adults**, your gifts help to bridge the gap between the cost of quality care and the amount which some people can pay. The fact is, even with sound planning, the cost of health care in retirement may escalate beyond what many individuals can pay.

Our goal for this year's Special Offering is \$450,000. Your gifts contribute directly toward making life "The Best of Times" for the Older Adults we serve through the ministry of Baptist Retirement Homes. We hope this special publication will help as you consider your own retirement needs, and that you will extend your most generous support to help others.

Choosing The Right Place To Live

An Interview With Lena Hobbs, Brookridge Retirement Community Resident

For Lena Hobbs, a retired teacher and school administrator, choosing where to live in retirement was an easy decision. Although she had lived in Florida for 30 years, she knew she wanted to be near her brother in Winston-Salem. And having moved 21 times in 34 years, the prospect of relocating didn't faze her in the least.

For most retirees, the key to a successful move lies in doing your homework—having a good sense of what a new community has to offer, how you'll fit in, and whether it meets your needs and desires. With so many choices now available to retirees, creating a list of priority considerations will help you focus on important issues. For Mrs. Hobbs, now a resident at the Brookridge Retirement Community, family proximity and the availability of health care topped her list of requirements, simplifying her choices. Other issues retirees would be well-advised to consider include:



Lena Hobbs, Brookridge Resident

- **Finances.** Examine your long-term financial needs relative to your assets. Retirement communities vary widely in costs. Just as with any major investment, you should comparison shop to make sure you're getting the best value for your money.
- **Community.** Get a sense of the rapport among retirement community residents by staying for several meals. What are the people like? Does the community provide intellectual challenges, as well as physical and recreational activities?
- **Administration.** How accessible and responsive is the staff? How long has the organization that operates the community been in business?
- **Health Care.** What kind of help is available in the community? Will you have priority admission should you need nursing care? What are the costs?

"I think there's a real advantage to moving at a point when you can still make friends and participate in activities," says Mrs. Hobbs. "The right community can help you remain independent as you grow older. When I saw Brookridge, I knew this was for me. There was a wide scope of interesting people and plenty to do. Honestly, I believe the Lord led me here."

Even with 21 moves behind her, Mrs. Hobbs isn't sure she's finished moving yet. "I may move from my garden home to one of the Brookridge apartments some day," she says. "They're just beautiful!"

Taking Charge Of Your Health

An Interview With Paul McGann, Clinical Director, J. Paul Sticht Center on Aging, Bowman Gray/Baptist Hospital Medical Center

In spite of all the talk we hear about health and fitness, all too many Americans today fall into the “couch potato” category. A sedentary lifestyle is bad news at any age, but it takes a special toll on Older Adults. The good news, however, is that it’s never too late to take charge of your health.

“Retirement is a golden opportunity to start a healthy lifestyle,” says Paul McGann, M.D., Clinical Director of the J. Paul Sticht Center on Aging at Bowman Gray/Baptist Hospital Medical Center. “It’s a time when you’re naturally shifting the focus of how you live. Focusing on creating healthy habits helps smooth the transition from work to retirement, and implementing a healthy lifestyle offers tremendous benefits in terms of how you feel, both physically and emotionally.”

For most people, particularly those 50 and over, lifestyle factors play a critical role in maintaining health. “We spend a lot of time counseling people to lose weight and to get regular exercise,” says Dr. McGann. “Together they can be a key to longevity.”

What kind of exercise is best for Older Adults? It’s important to choose an exercise program that you’ll stick with, advises Dr. McGann. Most people gain substantial benefits from non-vigorous exercise such as walking. With your doctor’s okay, you may want to explore additional options, such as weight training or aerobics. “Getting started can be a bit difficult for some people,” says Dr. McGann, “but the pay-off is well worth it. Once you establish a habit of regular exercise, you’re guaranteed to feel better. Just remember to set realistic goals for yourself and not overdo it at the beginning. The important thing to remember is that it’s better to get a little exercise every day than it is to work out infrequently for long periods of time.” In addition to feeling better, regular exercise helps Older Adults maintain their independence.

“Exercise helps you stay up and about, and enhances your overall quality of life,” says Dr. McGann. “When you feel good, you’re more likely to have an active social and intellectual life, which promotes emotional and mental health, as well.”

For overall health maintenance, Dr. McGann advises seeing a primary care physician who has a special interest in Older Adults. Your doctor can help you create a diet and exercise plan for enhanced health, and should work with you to keep your medications at a minimum. Remember to keep an up-to-date record of medicines and exact dosages in your billfold at all times, in case of emergencies.

Better health is more than a one-time goal, it’s also a way of life. The sooner you take responsibility for your good health, the sooner you’ll enjoy the benefits!



Paul McGann

Forging Closer Family Ties In Retirement

*An Interview With Doug Cole, Executive Director,
Council on Christian Life and Public Affairs, Baptist State Convention of North Carolina*

Forging closer family ties is a desirable goal at any stage in life, but in retirement, the benefits can be extraordinary—and not only for the retiree. Well-developed relationships that cross generational lines can provide a source of profound satisfaction and well-being.

Dr. Cole's family discovered the advantages of multi-generational living when the family decided some years ago to buy a house that would accommodate not only Doug and his wife, Nina, and their daughters, Rebekah and Laura, but also Nina's mother, Sybil Kirk, a retired R.N. who had recently suffered a stroke. It took the better part of a year, but the family finally located a home that would provide adequate space—both physical and psychological—for everyone.



Nina Cole, Sybil Kirk and Doug Cole

Living together was a new experience for the extended family. The house afforded Sybil plenty of privacy with a downstairs apartment and separate entrance, as well as plenty of space for the Coles' busy lives. It also offered a wonderful opportunity for the family to share their lives with each other more fully. "Living together with Sybil has forged closer family ties for us. It's also taught us a lot," says Dr. Cole, Executive Director of the Council on Christian Life and Public Affairs at the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

"We learned early on how important open communications are. It's important to know the needs and concerns of each family member, as they relate to others in the household. And sharing responsibility for our household has been a wonderful relationship-builder."

"One of the best things that we have gained from living together is becoming familiar with and sensitive to the changes that occur in family members of different generations," Dr. Cole continues. "Our daughters have seen us struggle with family life and work, for me with the Convention, and for Nina as director of nursing at a large medical practice. They've seen their grandmother experience the changes inherent in retirement. And Sybil has seen all that, plus had a bird's eye view of what it's like to be young in today's culture."

While living together is not an option for everyone, there are many ways to strengthen family ties. There's no investment that pays a dividend to match time spent with your family—whether it's time shared over the dinner table, tackling a family project, or taking up a hobby together. The key, according to Dr. Cole, is to keep the lines of communication open, in marriage, with parents, children and grandchildren.

Your Passport To Active Retirement

An Interview With Seth Macon, Trustee Emeritus, Baptist Retirement Homes of North Carolina, Inc.

For many people, retirement is a passport to self-discovery and personal expansion. It's a time of meaningful community engagement and active contribution. And it is truly a world away from the proverbial rocking chair. There are no special visas required—just an attitude that welcomes new experience and the willingness to create and pursue opportunity.



Seth and Hazel Macon

Seth Macon, a retired insurance executive who lives in Greensboro, offers a prime example of just how active retirement can be. Retired in 1984 at age 65, he has continued his role as a community and church leader. His many accomplishments include helping to found the Piedmont Interfaith Council, a group dedicated to building bridges between people of different faiths; serving First Baptist Church in Greensboro in a variety of leadership roles; and working as a trustee for numerous boards, including Baptist Retirement Homes of North Carolina Inc. and his alma mater, Guilford College.

"If you'll work for free, you'll get lots of offers in retirement," says Macon with a chuckle.

Retirement has also allowed the luxury of plenty of time for travel with his wife, Hazel. The Macons' travel scrapbook includes a safari to Kenya, travel to the Galapagos Islands, Australia and New Zealand, and most recently, to Japan and China. Each trip creates new opportunities for learning—one of the recognized keys to a satisfying retirement. "It's a great experience to see the world from another point of view," says Macon.

Designing life in retirement is an opportunity to create the balance which isn't always achievable during other phases in life. It's important to design a framework rich in variety, including pursuits you can enjoy alone and with others, physical activity and intellectual challenges. Taking a class—perhaps learning to play a musical instrument or a new sport—can expand your horizons in wonderful new ways. Volunteer work is another deeply satisfying avenue to explore, as Seth Macon can attest.

Clearly, there's no single road to a satisfying, active retirement—there are as many ways to enjoy life and to contribute as there are retirees. But there is one thing that contented retirees have in common, and that's an ageless openness to new experiences.

Continuing Your Spiritual Growth

An Interview With Calvin Knight, Chaplain, Brookridge Retirement Community



etirement opens many compelling new paths for Older Adults to explore, yet it is the continuing journey toward spiritual maturity that offers the deepest rewards, says the Reverend Calvin Knight, Chaplain at the Brookridge Retirement Community in Winston-Salem.

“The scriptural admonition, ‘Grow in grace and in knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ,’ has no cut-off date,” says Knight. “Spiritual maturity is not a goal that we reach—it’s a path that we continue to travel. By reading and studying the scriptures, the Gospels in particular, we can increase our intellectual understanding of the nature and purpose of Christ,” says Reverend Knight. “That kind of knowledge is essential to our spiritual growth.”



Reverend Calvin Knight

To know Christ in a personal way, approach the scriptures with an open mind and heart, as well as a reverent spirit, advises Reverend Knight. “A disciplined devotional life, in which we read, pray, sing, write or simply ‘be still’, is an important key toward this kind of grace. And there’s simply no substitute for dedicating your time toward this important goal.” It also requires participation in the life of the church as we receive from and contribute to the growth of other believers. “One of our Baptist Retirement Homes’ residents provided a wonderful example of the power of a church family,” says Reverend Knight.

“I asked her about her family and she replied, ‘I have a wonderful family, though not one of them is blood kin. The members of my church are my family. I love every one of them, and I could not get along without them. They love me; they teach me; they give me support... they help me in so many ways.’ ”

Making a commitment to dedicate time toward deepening your relationship with Jesus Christ and His church is without doubt one of the most rewarding aspects of retirement, says Reverend Knight. “It is a deeply fulfilling, uplifting journey toward true grace. And it’s never too late to start down that wondrous path.”



Countdown To Retirement: A Planning Guide

Planning ahead is the key to a secure and comfortable retirement. Use this handy guide as a reference for laying the groundwork for your retirement years.

Topic	5+ Years In Advance	2 Years In Advance	3 Months In Advance	During Retirement
Investments	Plan financial goals for retirement; adjust portfolio to meet goals	Adjust portfolio to reduce market risk and increase income	Make adjustments to offset inflation	Talk with broker about best mix of stocks, bonds, etc.
Budgets	Draw up current and future budgets; plan to pay off debts by retirement	Update budgets	Adjust retirement budget to add any new expenses	Revise budgets annually to match projected and actual spending
Retirement Funds	Project monthly and lump sum pension payments	Create investment plan for retirement funds; plan how to minimize taxes	Plan how to access your money; penalty-free withdrawals, etc.	Minimum withdrawals from tax-deferred plans may be required at age 70½
Contingency Funds	Invest equivalent of 3 months expenses in money market or equivalent funds	Establish home equity credit line in case of emergency	Home equity credit line and cash should equal annual expenses	Maintain full year's expenses in money market or equivalent fund
Housing	Make decisions about where you will live in retirement; if remaining in home, fund improvements while employed	If selling home, visit potential retirement locations; if not, budget for future home repairs	If selling home, market it 3-6 months prior to retirement	After age 55, take one-time capital gains tax exemption on the sale; don't sell before 55 unless you are buying another home
Health Insurance	Research what your benefits will be following retirement	If you require individual coverage, research plans now	File application for coverage 1 month before retirement	Assume Medicare coverage at 65; research supplemental plans 1 month in advance



BAPTIST RETIREMENT HOMES

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Recommendations to the Baptist State Convention's 1997 Committee on Nominations

Listed below are the vacancies to be filled by the 1997 Committee on Nominations:

General Board

Blue Ridge; Brier Creek; Brunswick; Brushy Mountain; Burnt Swamp; Caldwell (1); Chowan; Columbus; Dock; Johnston; Kings Mountain (2); New South River (1); Piedmont (1); Polk; Raleigh (1); Randolph; Tuckaseegee; Yadkin.

Council on Christian Life and Public Affairs

Three members-at-large.

Colleges

Campbell University—12 trustees; Chowan College—9 trustees; Gardner-Webb University—9 trustees; Mars Hill College—9 trustees; Meredith College—9 trustees; Wingate University—9 trustees.

Social Service Institutions

Baptist Children's Homes—9 trustees; Baptist Hospital—6 trustees; Baptist Retirement Homes—5 trustees.

Agencies

Baptist Foundation—5 directors; *Biblical Recorder*—4 directors.

(If you wish to make a recommendation, please mail this entire page back to the Committee on Nominations.)

Recommendations may be sent to Committee on Nominations, PO Box 1107, Cary, NC 27512-1107. Deadline: **Jan. 31, 1997.** (PLEASE PRINT. Form may be photocopied.)

1. Believing that the following person is committed to Jesus Christ, is a person of integrity, is active in the church and has proven leadership ability, I recommend _____

2. Address _____

3. Telephone numbers: () _____ (Bus.) () _____ (Res.)

4. Approximate age _____ Man _____ Woman _____

5. Check the ONE (General Board, Agency, Council, Institution) you believe this person can best serve:

☐ Baptist Foundation

☐ *Biblical Recorder*

☐ Baptist Children's Homes

☐ N.C. Baptist Retirement Homes

☐ N.C. Baptist Hospital

☐ General Board

☐ Christian Life Council

☐ Campbell University

☐ Chowan College

☐ Gardner-Webb University

☐ Mars Hill College

☐ Meredith College

☐ Wingate University

6. Association in which church is located _____

7. Nominee's church _____ Resident membership _____

Church address _____

Church telephone number () _____

List past and present positions held in the local church: _____

Give statement as to the past and present support of this person to this church and to North Carolina Baptists: _____

Denominational service (past and present): _____

8. Is person an ordained minister? _____

If a minister, list previous ministries: _____

9. If a layperson, occupation: _____

Brief resume of business or professional experience: _____

Please attach a separate sheet for additional information you feel would be helpful to this Committee.

Please understand that this recommendation DOES NOT assure that the person you are recommending will be nominated by the Committee on Nominations and/or elected by the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina; however, your recommendation will be given serious consideration. "The consent of a nominee to serve shall be secured by the Committee on Nominations." Bylaw II,E,4,d.

Signed: _____
(name of person making recommendation)

Telephone no. () _____
(mailing address)

Church _____ Association _____

Date: _____

Deadline: January 31, 1997

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

RECOMMENDATION TO THE BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION'S 1997 COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

Recommendations may be sent to: Committee on Committees at PO Box 1107, Cary, NC 27512-1107. **Please submit recommendation by May 30, 1997.** (You may photocopy this form.)

1. Because I believe that the following named person has demonstrated in his/her personal and church life a strong commitment to Christian beliefs and principles and is capable of providing stable and effective leadership in an important denominational position:
I recommend: (full name) _____
2. Address _____ City _____ Zip _____
Phone: Bus: () _____ Res: () _____
3. Approximate age _____ Male _____ Female _____
4. Check the **ONE COMMITTEE** on which you believe this person can best serve:

_____ Cooperation with General Baptists	_____ Nominations
_____ Historical	_____ Convention Program
_____ Local Arrangements	_____ Resolutions
_____ Memorials	_____ Trustee Orientation
5. Please state why you feel this person is qualified to serve: _____

6. Other information about the person you are recommending:
 - a. Nominee's church _____ Resident church membership _____
Church address _____ City _____ Zip _____
Church telephone number () _____
 - b. Association to which this church belongs: _____
 - c. Give a statement as to the past and present support of this person to this church and to North Carolina Baptists: _____

 - d. Is the person ordained? _____ If so, list churches served: _____

 - e. If lay person, occupation past five years: _____

If lay person, list positions filled in the local church _____

 - f. Would this person take seriously the responsibility of service on a convention committee? _____
 - g. Denominational service (to be completed for a pastor or a lay person). List associational and/or convention boards, committees, commissions, etc. served on and offices held: _____

7. Please understand that this recommendation **DOES NOT** assure that the person you are recommending will be nominated by the Committee on Committees and/or elected by the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina; however, your recommendation will be given serious consideration. The consent of a nominee will be secured by the Committee on Committees.

Signed: _____

Mailing address: _____

City _____ (name of person making the recommendation) Zip _____

Telephone number: () _____

Church _____ Association _____

Date: _____

(Forms received after the Committee on Committee's first meeting will be given to the 1998 Committee on Committees.)

Youth Corps Opportunities

Available for Summer 1997

Youth Corps, a ministry placing North Carolina Baptist college students for the summer in small churches unable to secure a full-time youth worker, is currently accepting applications for the 1997 program. Students work 10 weeks during the summer months, plus attend a five-day orientation program at the beginning of the program and two-day debriefing at the end of the summer.

In recent years the number of churches seeking Youth Corps workers has exceeded the available number of qualified applicants. Churches in the program provide supervision of the worker, salary, housing and meals.

If you know of any college students in your church who might be interested in this program, please have them contact Youth and Campus ministry offices, Baptist Building, as soon as possible. For more information check the appropriate item on the back page or call (800) 395-5102 or (919) 467-5100, ext. 319.

1997 STUDENT SUMMER MINISTRIES

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**Application Deadline
January 25**
❖

**Check appropriate item
on back page or call
(800) 395-5102 or
(919) 467-5100, ext. 311.**

'Spring Fling' Retreats

Caswell — April & May

The weekends of April 11-13, 18-20, 25-27 and May 16-18 are the dates for the 1997 Spring Fling Retreats, special conferences open only to youth and their leaders from churches without full-time youth ministers.

Theme of the 1997 retreats will be "Fuel The Flame," and include worship, Bible study small group

recreation and youth ministry training for adult leaders.

Cost is \$49 per person (includes room, meals and program fee).

For more information check the appropriate item on the back page or call (800) 395-5102 or (919) 467-5100, ext. 311.

Western N.C. Youth Conference

July 7-12 — Mars Hill College

A week-long youth conference, similar in format to the weeks held each summer at N.C. Baptist Assembly (Caswell), is scheduled for July 7-12, **Mars Hill College**, featuring creative and dynamic worship services, Bible study, recreation, fellowship and mission projects.

Mars Hill College will make available all of the recreational facilities for the conferences, including an Olympic-size swimming pool, tennis and

racquetball courts, basketball, soccer and softball.

Cost is \$145 (suite) or \$140 (bath on hall), which includes room, meals and conference fees.

Registration is open Mar. 1 and should be made directly with the Office of Continuing Education, Mars Hill College, Mars Hill, NC 28754.

For more information check the appropriate item on the back page or call (800) 395-5102 or (919) 467-5100, ext. 311.

Youth & Campus

www. Home Page

Youth and Campus Ministries has a Home Page on the internet: <http://www.concentric.net/~jclontz/division.html>

The Home Page includes:

- (1) campus ministry (<http://www.concentric.net/~jclontz/campus.html>);
- (2) youth ministry (<http://www.concentric.net/~jclontz/youth.html>);
- (3) church ministry with college students (<http://www.concentric.net/~jclontz/church.html>);
- (4) international student ministry (<http://www.concentric.net/~jclontz/internat.html>); and
- (5) other links (<http://www.concentric.net/~jclontz/links.html>).

The "Other Links" section will link to N.C. Baptist Men, Foreign Mission Board, Home Mission Board, WMU, Baptist Press, Associated Baptist Press, and other related groups.

CHECK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION & REGISTRATION

Vol. 7, No. 1. For additional information and registration, check the appropriate block and mail this back page (with the label) to:
Office of Public Relations, PO Box 1107, Cary, N.C. 27512-1107

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Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone: Office _____ Home _____

Church _____ Association _____

Leadership Position _____

Registration Fee (if applicable) \$ _____ Number in group (if applicable) _____

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CHURCH LEADER

Resources and information from the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina to your local church.

Is The 'Face' or 'Heart' of VBS Changing?

By Janice Haywood, consultant, Bible Teaching-Reaching

The days of two-week Vacation Bible Schools (VBS) have faded into one week or less. Night schools now outnumber day schools by three to one. Three-hour sessions have shrunk to two hours. Churches are choosing VBS curriculum from an array of publishers. Even the music has a beat and rhythm unlike the hymns of the past. The familiar face of the more than one hundred year old VBS slowly has changed over the years to accommodate changes in society.

When women started entering the work force in increasing numbers, many churches lost their morning VBS teachers but continued the valued event with night schools. That time shift also necessitated shortening the length of each session to accommodate bedtime schedules. Many Southern Baptist churches no longer choose Baptist Sunday School Board (SBC) materials without also considering the attractive materials of other publishers. The face of VBS has adjusted to meet changes in our culture and churches.

However, the heart of Vacation Bible School always has been and always must be Bible study,

outreach, evangelism, and missions. Without these essential elements, VBS becomes just another fun activity. Churches with the most vital Vacation Bible Schools are those who make an extra effort to invite unchurched children, youth, and their families to attend. During the sessions, they give priority to quality, life-application Bible study and sensitive evangelistic, worship, and mission opportunities. They surround these "heart" elements with fun, food, and catchy themes. Successful Vacation Bible Schools remember that the message they have to share is more important than anything else, including fun, entertainment, or themes.

Training for VBS leadership continues to be essential for its "healthy heart." During April and May, associational VBS teams will conduct training to help any church have a successful VBS regardless of curriculum chosen. Check with your association for assistance.

For a printed overview and evaluation of several major VBS curricula, check the appropriate item on the back page or call (800) 395-5102 or (919) 467-5100, ext. 229.

Church Programs: New Names, New Emphases

Congregational Growth & Development
(Church Programs Division)
Bible Teaching-Reaching (Sunday School)
Congregational Administration &
Development (Church Administration &

Building Planning)
Laity Leadership Development (Discipleship
Training, Deacon Training and Stewardship)
Music & Worship (Church Music)

EVENTS TO COME

Southern Baptist Convention
Dallas, Texas – June 17-19

Cooperative Baptist Fellowship
Louisville, Ky. – June 26-28

Week of Christian Study & Fellowship
Mars Hill College – June 30-July 4

Super Summer '97
Paramount's Carowinds Theme
Park – July 24-25

Baptist Student Convention
Ridgecrest – Sept. 26-28

Baptist State Convention
Winston-Salem – Nov. 10-12

SPECIAL OFFERINGS

Baptist Hospital (Mother's Day) —
May 4-11, (Contact: James Murphy,
910-716-3027)

N.C. Missions (State Missions) —
Sept. 14-21, (Contact: 800-395-
5102 or 919-467-5100, ext. 235)

World Hunger — Oct 12,
(Contact: 800-395-5102 or 919-
467-5100, ext. 402 or 403)

Baptist Children's Homes
(Thanksgiving) – Nov. 16-23,
(Contact: Kathy Fields, 800-476-
3669)

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Weekday Education

Charlotte Workshop

The annual North Carolina Church Weekday Education Workshop will be held July 26 at First Church, **Charlotte**, following the theme, "Childhood Under Construction."

State renewal credit hours for licensed daycare programs will be given at the workshop.

The Saturday conference is designed for directors and teachers in full-day programs, half-day preschools, parents' morning out, and after-school programs.

For more information and a registration form check the appropriate item on the back page or call (800) 395-5102 or (919) 467-5100, ext. 229.

DiscipleMaking Institute

**Caraway
May 30-31**

Michael Mack
(*The Synergy Church:
A Strategy for Integrating
Small Groups and Sunday
School*) — leader

\$55 per person

Call (800) 395-5102 or (919) 467-5100, ext. 202 or check the appropriate item on back page for more details.

Church Accompanists

April Workshop

A weekend workshop for church accompanists will be held April 11-12 at First Church, **Charlotte** (not Wingate University as previously listed), featuring a celebrative worship service, large group discussion, breakout classes, a session on the Generation-X accompanists, and a closing commissioning service.

Theme of the Friday-Saturday meeting is "Church Accompanists: The Next Generation." Cost is \$30 per person (for an additional \$15 a person may sign up for a 45-minute one-on-one piano organ instruction on Friday morning or Saturday afternoon).

"When was the last time you told your church organists and pianists you really appreciated them?" asked Neal Eller, state convention music and worship director. "Have you ever dropped them a note in the mail to thank them for a touching prelude, offertory, or postlude? Did you

recognize them on their birthday or service anniversary? The church organists and pianists are often unsung heroes. Most feel unappreciated, taken for granted, and not part of the worship team," he added.

Show your appreciation for your accompanists by sending them all expenses paid to the Charlotte conference.

The workshop will be led by Max Lyall, professor of piano studies, Golden Gate Seminary, Mill Valley, CA; Al Travis, professor of organ studies, Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, TX; and Todd Billingsley, director of Causeway, a six-member band from Miami, FL that plays hymn arrangements incorporating contemporary jazz with a Caribbean flavor.

For more information check the appropriate item on the back page or call (800) 395-5102 or (919) 467-5100, ext. 217.

Deacon Leadership

Caraway & Caswell

Two deacon leadership conferences will be held in October, with registration for both meetings opening July 1.

"Deacons Leading The Church into the Future" is set October 10-11 at the **Caraway Conference Center**, to be led by Loren Mead, retired president of the Alban Institute. "Deacons Leading Churches To Reach The Unchurched" is scheduled the next weekend, October 17-18, at N.C.

Baptist Assembly (Caswell), to be led by George Hunter, dean and professor of evangelism and church growth at Asbury Seminary in Kentucky. Hunter is the author of the popular books, *Church for the Unchurched* and *How to Reach Secular People*.

Contact Laity Leadership at (800) 395-5102 or (919) 467-5100, ext. 202 or check the appropriate item on the back page for more information.

MasterLife Workshops

APRIL 14
Baptist Building, Cary

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APRIL 15
Gaston Association Building, Gastonia

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APRIL 16
Buncombe Association Building, Asheville

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October 27-29
Southeastern Seminary,
Wake Forest (Leader Training)

All April meetings
10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Call (800) 395-5102 or (919) 467-5102, ext. 202 or check appropriate item on back page for more details.

Most Common Mistakes in Financial Management

- No Goals
- No Plan to Reach Goals
- Failure to Understand Financial Matters
- Failure to Consider Impact of the Unexpected
- Procrastination

Church Building Conference

Cary — April 15

The Spring Church Building Conference will be held at First Church, **Cary**, Tuesday, April 15, beginning at 8 a.m.

The one-day meeting is for all church leaders considering renovating or building in the near future. Topics will include funding, building or renovations from start to finish, and other related topics.

Cost is only \$12.50 (includes lunch and the book, Building and Planning Church Facilities).

Contact Building and Planning at (800) 395-5102 or (919) 467-5100, ext. 211 or check the appropriate item on the back page for more details.

Christian Money Management

Caraway Seminar

A Thursday-Saturday seminar on Christian Money Management is set October 23-25, **Caraway Conference Center**, co-sponsored by the state convention stewardship office, N.C. Baptist Foundation, and SBC Annuity Board.

The seminar will deal with setting up and administering a personal budget, determining an adequate retirement income, estate planning, investments, and insurance. There will also be a special session on how participants can conduct their own money management conference.

Contact Stewardship at (800) 395-5102 or (919) 467-5100, ext. 205 or check the appropriate item on the back page for more details.

LEADERSHIP RESOURCE LIBRARY

- Convention Web page (www.bscnc.org)
- Resources Bank
- State Convention AV Library
- Special AV leadership materials:
 - Bill Clemmons on "Ministering Out of the Overflow" (audio)
 - Reggie McNeal on "Managing Change and Transition: How Do You Navigate The White Water Ride and Stay in the Boat?" (video)
 - Eddie Hammett on "Creating Change Within The Local Church" (video)
 - Albert McClellan on "Helping Churches Make Healthy Decisions: A Study In Baptist Polity" (video)

Contact Laity Leadership at (800) 395-5102 or (919) 467-5100, ext. 202 for more information or check the appropriate item on the back page.

Deaf Youth Retreat

Caraway — May 16-18

The annual Deaf Youth Retreat will be held at **Camp Caraway**, May 16-18, for deaf young people ages 12 and older who are in still in school.

Transportation will be provided to and from Caraway by church buses from the three North Carolina schools for the deaf.

The retreat will feature Bible study, recreation, worship, and fellowship.

Retreat leaders will include Kevin Clark, Morganton and Clifford Tolosa, Hickory.

Cost is only \$30 for the entire weekend.

Contact Special Ministries at (800) 395-5102 or (919) 467-5100, ext. 433 or check the appropriate item on the back page.

'Happiness Retreats'

Truett & Caraway

Three Happiness Retreats for persons with mental handicaps will be held at Truett Camp, **Hayesville**, June 20-22 and **Caraway Conference Center**, August 11-13 and 13-15. Theme for all retreats will be "Good News Roundup: Telling Others About Jesus."

The retreats will feature Bible studies, vespers services, crafts, recreation, and a theme party.

Cost of the retreat (includes T-shirt) is \$40 (Truett) or \$52 to \$70 (Caraway), depending on accommodations.

For more details contact Special Ministries at (800) 395-5102 or (919) 467-5100, ext. 433 or check the appropriate item on the back page.

Retreat For Blind, Visually Impaired

Caraway — May 2-4

The seventh annual Baptist Fellowship Retreat for the Blind and Visually Impaired is set for May 2-4 at the **Caraway Conference Center**, following the theme, "Happiness is Contagious."

Clay Cook, pastor and volunteer director of a crisis ministry in Greensboro, will be the Bible study and worship leader. The

weekend will also include a Bible quiz, talent show, and a special session on coping with blindness.

Cost is \$65.50 per person (two to a room).

Contact Special Ministries at (800) 395-5102 or (919) 467-5100, ext. 433 or check the appropriate item on the back page for more information.

TIC '97 Retreat

Teachers/Interpreters For The Deaf

Caraway — May 16-18

Carter Bearden, HMB, Featured Leader

Cost: \$59.50 to \$65.50

Check item on back page for more information or call (800) 395-5102 or (919) 467-5100, ext. 433

Single Adults

Caswell — June 13-15

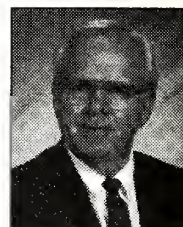
The annual Single Adult Evangelism Conference is set for the weekend of June 13-15 at **N.C. Baptist Assembly (Caswell)**,

featuring small group sessions, special music concerts, worship, and recreation.

Worship leader will be J.R. Vasser of Dallas, TX. Buddy Freeman, North Greenville College, S.C. will provide the entertainment and



J.R. Vasser



Buddy Freeman

WITNESS, a Christian musical group, will perform in concert on Friday and Saturday evenings.



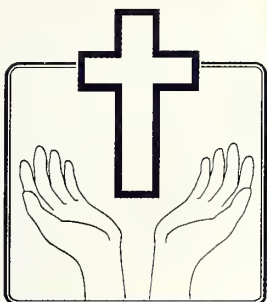
Face to Face

Two other music and drama groups—Face to Face of Birmingham, AL, and EVANGELS—will also be featured.

The conference will begin at 9 p.m. on Friday and conclude with lunch on Sunday.

Cost is \$70 per person (includes two nights lodging, meals, and materials). Deadline for registration is May 30.

For more information check the appropriate item on the back page or call (800) 395-5102 or (919) 467-5100, ext. 453.



MOTHER'S DAY OFFERING

Baptist Hospital of North Carolina, Inc.

Week of Prayer • May 4-11, 1997

Touching Lives With Hope

When medical bills compound the devastating effects of illness, some families find emergency relief through benevolent funds provided through the Mother's Day Offering for Baptist Hospital.

All gifts to the fund go to help families pay their hospital bills.

Mother's Day Offering Helps Brings Tears of Joy • 1997 GOAL \$500,000

Tumor Threatens Life, Bills Shake Foundation

When private health insurance priced itself out of Judy Teague's market, she had to drop it.

Just months later, doctors discovered a football-sized tumor on her uterus.

The resulting operations and bills knocked Judy and her husband Joe, off their precarious financial foundation. As egg producers in rural Randolph County, they were still struggling to pay bills from Joe's 1992 heart attack when hit with Judy's illness.



Judy Teague

After having her operation at one Winston-Salem hospital, she came to Baptist Hospital for radiation treatments. Financial counselors told her she could expect bills of up to \$8,000.

The morning before Judy began her first treatment - a 40-hour marathon flat on her back - a secretary came to her room and said, "I just want you to know your bill will be taken care of."

"I was all by myself in the room,"

Judy said later in her home. "It was such a relief, I cried. I don't know how to begin to thank those who made it possible."

Judy, 53, works hard with her husband, Joe, caring for 10,000 laying hens without benefit of automation. Medical bills ate through their savings like termites through balsa.

But, they are grateful for their health and for the caring exhibited by North Carolina Baptists whose help enables Judy to say, "we're beginning to see daylight now."

They still have bills at two other hospitals and medications that cost thousands of dollars a year, one called Megace, which alone costs \$2,000 per year. Judy's 81-year-old mother gives them money each month toward medical bills.

Basically, Judy and Joe are uninsurable. She has lost touch with the computer programming skills with which she earned a living before leaving that job to join Joe in the egg industry. And, she says, no one will hire her when they learn of her medical history.

But she is not bitter. In fact, she has learned to thank God for the ability to appreciate the good things in her life. She won't be able to retire when she planned, and every dollar is precious. But she now knows, like the Apostle Paul, how to be content in any circumstance.

Raised in another denomination,



Judy says that since her operation, Joe "treats me like a China doll, but I don't mind."

she and Joe plan to join Balford Baptist Church in Asheboro where they have been visiting.

Balford receives a Mother's Day Offering for benevolent care at Baptist Hospital. And Judy vows that one day soon, she will be able to contribute to it, to begin a return of thanks to North Carolina Baptists who helped her when she needed it most.



"It was such a relief, I cried. I don't know how to begin to thank those who made it possible."

Matthew's Brain Mass Prompts Operation

Seizure Scares Parents, Threatens Budgets

Jody Hubay left home to take her son Jordan to day care. When she returned, a fire truck was in front of her house, an ambulance was on its way and her son, Matthew, was frozen stiff with a seizure.

Doctors at High Point Regional Hospital stabilized Matthew, 9, then rushed him to the children's emergency room at Baptist Hospital. Matthew didn't know what he went through until the next day.

Anteriograms revealed an arterial vascular malformation - a jangled mass of veins and arteries the size of a ping pong ball - in the front corner of Matthew's brain. Surgeons removing the mass required three metal plates to close Matthew's skull.

The gift "moved the bill from being a huge financial burden, to something manageable."

His parents worried that the operation would cause permanent damage. So, when they heard him advise his nurses how to pronounce his last name as he was coming out of anesthesia, they were relieved and knew he would be all right.

A fourth grader at Southwest Elementary School near High Point, Matthew is back in school and doing fine.

He accumulated \$60,000 in medical bills, an enormous sum his parents say is insignificant in light of their son's life. Because Baptist Hospital is not a member of their preferred provider group, their insurance managers wanted Matthew to have his surgery in another hospital. His parents said they were not moving from Baptist, even though they would have to bear a higher percentage of the costs personally.

The Hubay's had medical insurance through Jody's work. But because of the preferred provider exception, a significant portion of the bill remained after insurance paid. Baptist Hospital discounted a portion of the charges the insurance company refused.

Then, Baptist sent the Hubays a letter saying the hospital benevolent fund would pay \$1,100 of their remaining bill.

"I was shocked to get this help from

someone we don't know anything about," said Jody Hubay. "And we're not even Baptists. It's a really nice feeling to know there is someone out there who cares."

Given the chance, Jody said, she would tell North Carolina Baptists "how much it meant to

us to know someone cared to help ease the burden after such a traumatic event."

Matthew's father, Joe, who manages a jewelry store in Durham, said, "Now we can see the end, we can see light at the end of the tunnel."

Joe admits the trauma, and gift, prompted growth in faith and made



Joe and Jody Hubay, with sons, Matthew, top, and Jordan.

them more aware of the needs of others.

He and Jody are members of Christ United Methodist Church in High Point. Jody's aunt and uncle, Paul and Sally Cline, are Southern Baptist missionaries in Africa.

Baptist Hospital Concern for Elderly

The J. Paul Sticht Center on Aging, part of the North Carolina Baptist Hospitals, Inc., moved into a world-class facility this April, matching an existing service with a building worthy of the program's concern for elderly patients, according to President Len B. Preslar, Jr.

"This facility will model for health care providers around the world how to care for a growing population of senior citizens," Preslar said. "It is dedicated to providing injured and ill people with the treatment and skills they need to return to living full and independent lives."

William Hazzard, M.D., chairman of the Department of Internal Medicine and founding director of the Center on Aging, said the population of older Americans is growing quickly. "At the turn of this century, only four percent of Americans were 65 years old," he said. "The number is now 12 percent and is expected to reach 22 percent by 2050, and the fastest growing age group is over 85."

"We must alert the health care community and public to the monumental challenge we face in meeting the burgeoning health care needs of our senior citizens."

Prevention to Long-Term Care

No other aging facility contains within its walls all the components critical to the continuum of care, especially for the frail elderly. This facility features a comprehensive geriatric assessment clinic, osteoporosis clinic, geriatric gynecology clinic, women's health center, legal clinic for the elderly, education services, acute care for the elderly, day hospital, geriatric and adult psychiatry, transitional care, and geriatric and adult acute rehabilitation, and administrators for home care and institutional care.

In addition, few, if any, facilities on aging include transitional care, rehabilitation and psychiatry under one roof, as does the Sticht Center. Yet the comprehensive health needs of older people include those areas. Dementia, depression or psychological disorders are common in the frail elderly.

Function and Independence

Healing someone with a disabling injury or illness is not simply about giving them another drug or planning another surgery. It's working with what abilities they have to teach them and their families how to take

The center extends beyond the hospital, reaching into homes, schools, and community facilities, to provide a comprehensive network of services, care coordination, information, and underserved income.



Donna Payne faced her emergency surgery without a job or insurance. She feels reconnected with God after seeing His mercy demonstrated by His people who helped her through giving to the Mother's Day Offering for Baptist Hospital.

No Job, No Insurance, No Property

Fund Gives Donna Grip on Life

Last year after a heart attack, surgeons implanted two wire stents in Donna Payne's heart. Donna, 49, spent five days in Baptist Hospital and accumulated bills totalling \$49,000. She had no job, no insurance, no resources.

Donna lives in Statesville with her mother, 75, and father, 74. A \$49,000 medical bill would have decimated her financially the rest of her life and buried her in a hole from which she would never have recovered. But Baptist Hospital, through the benevolent funds provided by the Mother's Day Offering, was able to cover her \$32,000 hospital bill and worked with the doctors to discharge their \$17,000 bill.

On May 11, 1996, a "miracle" letter announced the good news of Baptist Hospital's gift. In her gratitude, Donna

wrote a letter that touched the Baptist Hospital staff.

"I told them they helped me experience the love of God, because I felt I did not have a God," Donna said. "My faith had begun to dwindle terribly. I wondered if He loved me anymore or if He had just written me off."

Then came the letter of good news, and Donna said, "When I was at my lowest, I said one prayer and thousands of angels and Christians came to my aide. They helped me find God again."

"Thank you so much North Carolina Baptists. Because of your kindness, I experienced the love of God and can dream again."

"Because of your kindness, I experienced the love of God."

ly Shows in Aging Program and New Facility

care of themselves and do the things they love.

The geriatric assessment clinic where a multidisciplinary team evaluates and provides a treatment plan for older patients, emphasizes function of both the patients and treatment team.

■ Wide exam tables can be electronically lowered to roughly a foot off the ground where small or frail elderly patients can sit with ease.

■ Exam rooms are several times larger than usual to accommodate not only the entire medical team for the patient, but also - when appropriate - the numerous family members who often accompany an older person.

■ In the communication center, the entire treatment team can gather to discuss the needs of each patient. The center offers the team the option of working with up to seven patients at a time.

Patients who stay in the Acute Care for the Elderly (ACE) Unit will find an unusual emphasis on nonstandard architecture and homelike touches designed to enhance function.

■ Rooms and bathrooms here are large and sturdy, so wheelchair-bound

patients can do far more for themselves than they ever could in a standard hospital room. For example, depending on the wheelchair, patients can simply wheel right into the shower itself and bathe, rather than waiting for a nurse to assist them.

■ Personal touches include crown molding, cabinetry of high craftsmanship, and spacious windows. Doctors know bright, cheerful rooms lift patients' spirits and preclude depression that can slow or even stop recovery.

Bringing minds together

The Sticht Center's approach allows treatment from many different disciplines to be combined into one coherent plan. Healing can get complicated if you're bouncing from one doctor's office to the next and hearing something different at each visit - a common situation in care for the elderly. Older people often have more illnesses and need to see more doctors.

Patients and families who visit the geriatric assessment clinic are seen by a team that includes a geriatrician, geriatric nurse practitioner, pharmacist, occupational therapist, social worker and pastoral care representative. The center itself is located at the Medical Center, rather than tucked away in the countryside, for full integration with

other Medical Center departments, providing patients with better care and using resources most effectively.

Reaching Out

At the Sticht Center, physicians doing research are also physicians seeing patients, allowing state-of-the-art research findings to be applied directly to patient care. Our research is designed to be useful right away, both in the clinic and for the public, for example, determining whether losing weight or controlling salt intake may allow some older people to stop taking drugs for high blood pressure.

The center services extend beyond the building with established links to home care, nursing homes, subacute care units, skilled nursing facilities, teaching nursing homes, midlevel practitioner networks, senior services, a community care coordination information network, and underserved and low-income locations.

Preslar said the new facility represents the Medical Center's concern for not just its elderly patients, but also their families and the community. "So many lives are affected by illness in one frail, elderly person," he said. "Each step we take in healing that person and that family is a step we take toward healing our community."

Only One Place for Dawn's Surgery - At Home and At Baptist Hospital

Spots On Mammogram Change Dawn's Life

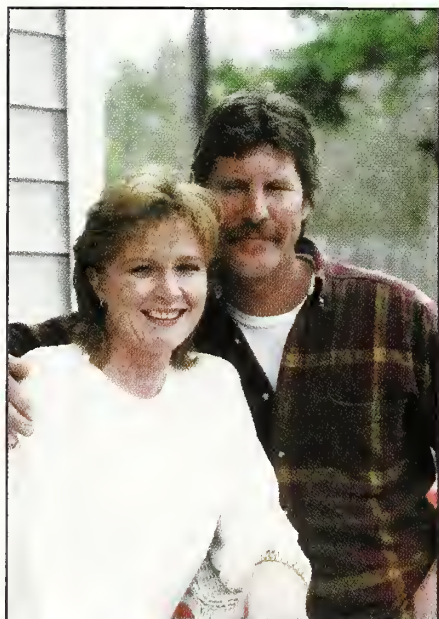
When an alert radiology technician in Florida noticed tell-tale black flecks on Dawn Haney's mammogram,

Dawn knew she would come home to Salisbury - to be near family and to have her cancer surgery at Baptist Hospital.

Dawn was living in Florida where she and her husband, Wes, were subcontractors in the booming Orlando area building industry.

Then, the spots.

When a biopsy confirmed the presence of cancer, Dawn and Wes left everything in Florida and moved in with



Wes, and God, were Dawn's strength.

Dawn's sister, Gail. A lumpectomy removed just the infected tissue in Dawn's left breast.

Later tests revealed residual cancer cells, and doctors suggested a left mastectomy. Because doctors could not guarantee cancer would not appear in her right breast, Dawn elected to have both breasts removed.

"I was very upset in the doctor's office when he told me I needed a mastectomy," Dawn said. "Wes and I walked back to the truck. He put his arm around me and said, 'We'll deal with it.' His strength, and the love of God, kept me sane through all this."

People at Baptist were "super nice," Wes said, "From receptionists to secretaries, doctors and nurses - they were all super nice people."

Dawn's attitude during the surgeries was simple acceptance. "So many women are scared and worried about this surgery," Dawn said. "When it comes down to it, they're (breasts) not that important. Do you choose your breasts, or do you choose your life? You have to play the cards you're dealt."

Any surgery is serious, and such a personal surgery is even more difficult to endure without emotion. Dawn suffered the psychological shock of "looking down and seeing my chest concave instead of standing out."

And the shock of medical bills was, in some ways, even harder to bear. The Haney's had no medical insurance. Now, the bills were a psychological blow greater than was the news of cancer.

"Doctors can tell you anything about your body, and you can hold up pretty good," Dawn's sister, Gail, said, "until they tell you the dollars and cents of what it's going to take to make you well."

Baptist Hospital helped soften the blow. It covered half of Dawn's lumpectomy bill of \$6,000. When faced with the double mastectomy, Dawn visited her financial counselor at the hospital, Laurie Weeks. Weeks admitted the costs would be "unreal," then left the office to ask her supervisor what Baptist could do to help.

"When she walked out of the office, I busted out crying," Dawn said. "Then my mom came over and prayed, 'Heavenly Father, you know our need. We have no where else to turn. Please help us.'"

"Then Laurie walked back in and said the hospital would keep us responsible for the lumpectomy bill, and cover the rest.

"If that's not a miracle, I don't know what is, because God worked so quickly, through other people. When I walked out of that office, I was just shaking."

Baptist Benevolent Fund covered



Dawn chose life and enjoys it with Wes.

over \$10,000 of Dawn's expenses, an "absolutely phenomenal amount," she said.

Ten months after her operation, she is working again. Both she and Wes found jobs in their trade, cultured marble installation. They still live with Dawn's sister, and were able to keep their vehicle.

Gifts provided through the Mother's Day Offering that enable Baptist Hospital to help families like the Haney's, mean that "you can start to see the light of day again," Dawn said. "It's enabled us to keep our heads above water a little bit and realize maybe we can see our way out. We can concentrate on getting me well."

"I grew up in a Southern Baptist church," Dawn said. "We always had special offerings and I gave my dimes and nickels to these causes and never honestly thought I was going to see first-hand where this money goes. Then something like this happens and you see all the dimes and nickels come back to you - just like the Bible says - returned 10-fold, and God added some for me."

"There's so many things I'd like to say to North Carolina Baptists about

what they've done for us," said Wes. "Thank you sums it all up."

Dawn choked back tears and dabbed at her eyes. "There's no words," she said. "There's no words."

"If that's not a miracle, I don't know what is... When I walked out of that office, I was just shaking."

Upcoming Events & Emphases

- **Interfaith Witness Seminar:** Caraway — April 11-12
- **WIN School:** New Hope Church, Hickory — April 18-19
- **Eastern Workshop:** Caswell — May 2-3
- **Personal Evangelism**
On-Line: A new E-mail

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- **Y.E.S. (Youth Evangelism Seminars):** Available to churches, associations
- **Time-To-Tell:** April 7-13 emphasis with Christian youth sharing their faith with friends

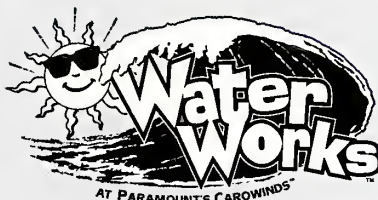
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Training Summer Youth Ministers

June 1-5 — Meredith

Training for summer youth ministers, individuals who will be employed in the summer of 1997 by churches to serve as youth ministers, will be offered June 1-5 at **Meredith College** as part of the regular Student Summer Ministries Orientation program.

Youth minister training will feature practical seminars on all aspects of ministry with teenagers and children. The week will also include daily worship, Bible study, and fellowship activities.

Cost is \$175 (includes four nights' lodging, all meals, resource notebook and other program fees). Please register by May 5, 1997.

For more information call (800) 395-5102 or (919) 467-5100, ext. 311 or check the appropriate item on the back page.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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Retreats

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25-27; & May 6-18
Caswell

Western N.C.
Youth Conference
July 7-12
Mars Hill College

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COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

RECOMMENDATION TO THE BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION'S 1997 COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

Recommendations may be sent to: Committee on Committees at PO Box 1107, Cary, NC 27512-1107. **Please submit recommendation by May 30, 1997.** (You may photocopy this form.)

1. Because I believe that the following named person has demonstrated in his/her personal and church life a strong commitment to Christian beliefs and principles and is capable of providing stable and effective leadership in an important denominational position:
I recommend: (full name) _____
2. Address _____ City _____ Zip _____
Phone: Bus: () _____ Res: () _____
3. Approximate age _____ Male _____ Female _____
4. Check the **ONE COMMITTEE** on which you believe this person can best serve:

_____ Cooperation with General Baptists	_____ Nominations
_____ Historical	_____ Convention Program
_____ Local Arrangements	_____ Resolutions
_____ Memorials	_____ Trustee Orientation
5. Please state why you feel this person is qualified to serve: _____

6. Other information about the person you are recommending:
 - a. Nominee's church _____ Resident church membership _____
Church address _____ City _____ Zip _____
Church telephone number () _____
 - b. Association to which this church belongs: _____
 - c. Give a statement as to the past and present support of this person to this church and to North Carolina Baptists: _____

 - d. Is the person ordained? _____ If so, list churches served: _____

 - e. If lay person, occupation past five years: _____

 - If lay person, list positions filled in the local church: _____

 - f. Would this person take seriously the responsibility of service on a convention committee? _____
 - g. Denominational service (to be completed for a pastor or a lay person). List associational and/or convention boards, committees, commissions, etc. served on and offices held: _____

7. Please understand that this recommendation **DOES NOT** assure that the person you are recommending will be nominated by the Committee on Committees and/or elected by the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina; however, your recommendation will be given serious consideration. The consent of a nominee will be secured by the Committee on Committees.
Signed: _____
Mailing address: _____
City _____ (name of person making the recommendation) Zip _____
Telephone number: () _____
Church _____ Association _____

Date: _____

(Forms received after the Committee on Committee's first meeting will be given to the 1998 Committee on Committees.)

An Endowment For Ministry

John Roberson, president, N.C. Missions Development

On January 1, 1997, North Carolina Baptists launched a new General Board Staff Division that the Executive Committee believes will advance the ministry and mission of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina — North Carolina Missions Development. Through this new division, North Carolina Baptists are being afforded the opportunity to meet the challenges of today and, perhaps more importantly, the challenges of the future.

Roy J. Smith, executive director-treasurer, stated, "I am thrilled with the creation of North Carolina Missions Development. This is a farsighted, strategic, and bold move on the part of our convention. It is not too difficult for me to imagine that the endowment created through North Carolina Missions Development will in the future provide the additional funds necessary to insure excellence and efficiency in Convention ministries." Furthermore, he stated, "I am likewise pleased with the Executive Committee's choice of founding president. In John Roberson, we have a talented administrator and visionary who will provide the dynamic leadership necessary to give life to this new challenge."

Immediately preceding the convening of last November's annual convention in Greensboro, the Executive Committee unanimously elected John Roberson to serve as the founding president of North Carolina Missions Development. Prior to his joining the staff of the General Board, Roberson served as assistant

to the president and assistant vice president at Campbell University. A graduate of Campbell University and Southeastern Seminary, Roberson is presently a doctoral candidate at North Carolina State University.

The overarching purpose of North Carolina Missions Development is to assist in the building of an endowment that will help underwrite the ever-increasing costs of ministry in today's and tomorrow's world. This purpose will be fulfilled in two ways: the creation of a general endowment that will ultimately be used to support the general operating expenditures of the convention; and, the creation of specific endowments as established by donors to support the expenditures of specific programs.

Perhaps the best way to articulate the objective of North Carolina Missions Development is to present the Statement of Mission and Purpose that was recently drafted by Roberson. The Statement is as follows:

The mission and purpose of North Carolina Missions Development is to provide North Carolina Baptists and all other individuals, corporations, and foundations interested in the ministry and mission of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina a means of making a significant and lasting gift for the benefit of continuing the ministry of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina. In fulfilling this mission, North Carolina Missions Development strives:

To serve as the champion of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina by building a permanent endowment to provide the financial resources necessary to continue, in perpetuity, the ministries of the Convention;

To serve as an encourager by promoting dialogue between prospective individual donors, corporations, and foundations and the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina;

To serve as a resource by sharing information and expertise concerning charitable gifts to individual donors, corporations, and foundations;

To serve as a steward by soliciting philanthropic investments in the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina and by acting as a prudent manager of the assets created by charitable gifts and bequests in concert with the North Carolina Baptist Foundation, the trust agency of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina; and,

To serve as a vision-builder by enabling all North Carolina Baptists to see themselves as philanthropists who are capable of sharing today and in the future ministries of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

For more information on how you may become involved with North Carolina Missions Development, please contact North Carolina Missions Development at (800) 395-5102, ext. 117.

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Leading The Church Seminars October 10-11, 17-18

Featuring Loren Mead and George Hunter

Two leadership seminars designed especially for deacons and other local church leadership will be held this October, sponsored by the Baptist Building Laity Leadership Team.

Loren Mead, founder of The Alban Institute in Washington, D.C. and author of several books including *The Once and Future Church*, will address the topic, "Leading the Church Into the Future." The weekend meeting will be held at the Caraway Conference Center **Asheboro** Oct. 10-11.

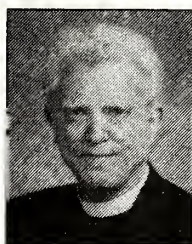
George Hunter, dean and professor of evangelism and church growth at Asbury Theological Seminary in Kentucky and author of *How To Reach Secular People*, will discuss ways churches can reach the growing "unchurched community" within the community. The seminar is scheduled for Oct. 17-18 at N.C. Baptist Assembly (Caswell), **Oak Island**.

The Friday conferences (Oct. 10 at Caraway and Oct. 17 at Caswell) are designed especially for deacons, with four specialized conferences scheduled throughout the afternoon and evening. Topics will include the deacon family ministry basics, the deacon as

ministers and managers, deacons leading churches to reach the unchurched, a church in need of conversion, and several "helping" conferences on ministry to homosexuals, divorced and separated, teenagers, and alcoholics and drug abusers.

The Saturday conferences (Oct. 11 at Caraway and Oct. 18 at Caswell), planned for all church leaders (including deacons), will feature Loren Mead talking about the church and the future, Caraway, Oct. 11, and George Hunter talking about reaching the unchurched, Caswell, Oct. 18. The Saturday sessions will begin at 8:30 a.m. with worship and conclude by 5 p.m.

For more information, check the appropriate item on the back page or call the Baptist Building at (800) 395-5102 or (919) 467-5100, ext. 209 or dstewar@bscnc.org.



Loren Mead



George Hunter

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Week of Christian Study and Fellowship

Mars Hill College-June 30-July 4, 1997

Baptist Student Convention
Ridgecrest-Sept. 26-28, 1997

Baptist State Convention
Winston-Salem-Nov. 10-12, 1997

Baptist Men's Convention
Raleigh-Jan. 30-31, 1998

SPECIAL OFFERINGS

N.C. Missions (State Missions)
Sept. 14-21 (Contact: 800-395-5102 or 919-467-5100, ext.235)

World Hunger-Oct. 12 (Contact: 800-395-5102 or 919-467-5100, ext. 402 or 403)

Baptist Children's Homes
(Thanksgiving)-Nov. 16-23,
(Contact: Kathy Fields, 800-476-3669)



N.C. MISSIONS OFFERING
Week of Prayer Sept. 14-21

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Bible Drills/Speakers Tournaments

Conferences & Materials

Four training events for church and associational Bible Drill/Speakers Tournaments leaders will be held Monday, Nov. 3, Eastern Association Office, **Warsaw** and Grace Church, **Asheville** and Nov. 4, Gaston Association Office, **Gastonia** and Fellowship Church, **Burlington**. All meetings will begin at 7 p.m. with separate sessions held for church and associational leaders at each location.

A leaflet on the 1997-98 verses

(Cycle 2) will be available in August. Also, two new resources are available from Baptist Book Stores for Children's Bible Drills:

"Children's Bible Drill Games &

Activities Notebook, NIV" and "Learn-A-Verse: A Bible Skills Game."

Check the appropriate item on the back page for more information or call the Baptist Building at (800) 395-5102 or (919) 467-5100, ext. 219 or lmcoy@bscnc.org.



Intentional DiscipleMaking

An Intentional DiscipleMaking seminar will be held in the **Raleigh/Wake Forest** area, Sept. 18-20. Registration is open but space is limited.

The specialized process involves a three-year guided program for clergy and lay leaders to help them customize an effective ministry for individual churches to reach the world in an unchurched culture. The program involves on-site consultation and eight intense training sessions.

Resource books include *Jesus Christ the DiscipleMaker*, *The DiscipleMaking Pastor*, and *The DiscipleMaking Church*, all by Bill Hull and published by Revell Press.

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Discipleship/Family Week

"Kingdom Living . . . In the Family, Spirit and World" will be the theme of the Discipleship and Family Development Week, **Ridgecrest Conference Center**, July 5-11, sponsored by the Baptist Sunday School Board.

The meeting will include special seminars on *Building Stronger Families*, *Jesus on Leadership*, *The Seven Seasons of a Man's Life*, and other related topics.

For more information and registration, contact Ridgecrest at (704) 669-8022.

Join A Learning Community

Several Learning Communities are being established across the state to bring together ministers and lay leaders seeking information and assistance in reaching non-traditional communities within their overall church community.

Some of the topics of discussion include reaching bi-racial couples, couples living together out of wedlock, persons with non-traditional values, inactive church members, and individuals suffering from some form of addiction (drugs, alcohol, etc.).

Each Learning Community is led by a trained facilitator in group process, not an expert in the content of the group discussion. Each Community establishes their own learning objectives and time period for the meetings. There is no set agenda or "one way" to establish the communities.

For more information, check the appropriate item on the back page or call the Baptist Building at (800) 395-5102 or (919) 467-5100, ext. 209 or dstewar@bscnc.org.

Money And The Church

Caraway Seminar

John and Sylvia Ronsvalle, authors of *Behind the Strained Glass Windows*, a book on money and the church, will lead a seminar at **Caraway Conference Center**, Aug. 25-26, beginning with lunch on Monday and concluding the following afternoon.

The two-day seminar will provide practical suggestions on how to develop church members as Christian stewards, including time for group discussion. The session will also include a worship service on stewardship.

The Ronsvalles, in preparation for their book, received a grant from the Lilly Foundation to study 29 denominations across America since 1968 on present and possible future trends in church stewardship. The study found that in 1992 total member contributions to church causes lost ground to inflation for the second year in a row—the first back-to-back declines in giving in 25 years of the study.

In 1968, church members gave an average of 3.14 percent of their income to churches. By 1992, the

figure declined to 2.52 percent.

Hardest hit, nationwide, are benevolent causes outside the local church, including support for missionaries. About \$2 billion is spent annually by U.S. Protestant mission sending agencies, compared to \$32 billion on diet programs and \$40 billion in leisure travel each year.

Some other findings included (1) church members now view giving as a fee-for-service responsibility rather than as a biblical imperative, (2) many churches have a pre-1950s mindset toward money and haven't provided a positive influence in an age of affluence, and (3) with the rise of consumerism and increased personal debt, smaller amounts of resources are available for personal giving.

Some causes for the decline? The Ronsvalles found a "crisis in communication" in the church on the purpose of denominational structures, fewer local church volunteers (thus, the need to hire more church paid staff), and the church's tendency to avoid the topic of money, leaving church members to form their own personal attitudes toward accumulation and spending.

Cost of the Caraway seminar is only \$40, including meals and one-night lodging.

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Baptist Student Convention

Ridgecrest — September 26-28

"I'm Here! What Now, God?" will be the theme of the annual Baptist Student Convention, **Ridgecrest**, Sept. 26-28. The convention is designed for college students from both church and campus groups in North Carolina.

Worship services for the weekend will be led by Nancy Hastings Sehested, pastor of Sweet Fellowship Church, Clyde. Music will be provided by David Moore of the Christian Life and Public Affairs, Baptist State Convention.

The Friday evening session will feature Asheville story-teller Becky Stone and an African American gospel choir. On Saturday, the students will adopt a statewide Baptist student mission budget for 1997-98 and attend several small group seminars. Representatives from 10-12 seminaries and divinity

schools will have displays and be available for conversation with those who are interested.

Cost is only \$60 per person (two nights, four meals, program fee).

Registration fee of \$10 is due by Thursday, Sept. 18.

For more information, check the appropriate item on the back page or call (800) 395-5102 or (919) 467-5100, ext. 319 or vferrel@bscnc.org.



Nancy Hastings Sehested



David Moore

Youth Ministry Council

Ridgecrest Retreat

Members of local church youth ministry councils are encouraged to attend a two-day retreat at **Ridgecrest Conference Center**, Sept. 27-28, which will feature both large and small groups sessions and a creative worship service on Sunday.

The weekend retreat will enable each church to evaluate its youth program, set purposeful priorities and goals, and establish a youth ministry calendar/budget for the coming year.

Cost is \$40 per person (four to a room lodging, meals and fees).

For more information, check the appropriate item on the back page or call (800) 395-5102 or (919) 467-5100, ext. 311 or hmelton@bscnc.org.

'Curtain Call' Creative Ministries Festival

October 10-12

The 1997 Curtain Call Creative Ministries Festival will be held at Snyder Memorial Church, **Fayetteville**, Oct. 10-12, and will feature sessions on drama, puppetry, clowning, sign language, interpretive movement, and storytelling.

Program leaders will include Doug Berky, Gloria and Kent Fox, Rose Crane, Owen Robertson, Bonnie Lancaster Johnson, and Jeff Smith.

Cost is \$40, which includes a banquet, ice cream fellowship, and conference fee. Lodging is not included.

For more information, check the appropriate item on the back



Doug Berky



Gloria & Kent Fox



Owen Robertson



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Soul Winning Workshop/WIN School

Two state evangelism division meetings—One-Day Soul Winning Workshop and Witness Involvement Now (WIN) School—will be held in August and September.

The One-Day Soul Winning Workshop is set for Aug. 2 at the West Chowan Association Building, **Ahoskie**. Participants will be trained and given opportunities to share in witnessing during the one-day event.

The WIN School is set Sept. 26–27 at Concord Church, **Bostic**. This two-night witnessing workshop is designed to equip lay people to share their faith, including an opportunity to witness during the meeting.

For more information about these two events, check the appropriate items on the back page or call (800) 395-5102 or (919) 467-5100, ext. 453 or njones@bscnc.org.

Celebrate Jesus 2000

SBC Evangelism Emphasis

Celebrate Jesus 2000 is a part of the Southern Baptist Convention emphasis for 1998–2000, “Grow in Spiritual Power and Go Make Disciples of all People.” The international aspects of “Go Make Disciples” is the International (Foreign) Mission Board’s The Last Frontier which is an attempt to pray for and reach the 2,161 groups of people in the world who have no access to the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Celebrate Jesus 2000 is a four year plan to witness to every person in the United States. The emphases for this promotion will be: 1997 Prayer, 1998 Personal Witnessing, 1999 Proclamation, 2000 Preservation. Preparatory packets for Celebrate Jesus 2000 have already been mailed to every Southern Baptist church from the North American (Home) Mission Board.

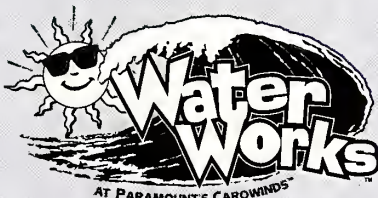
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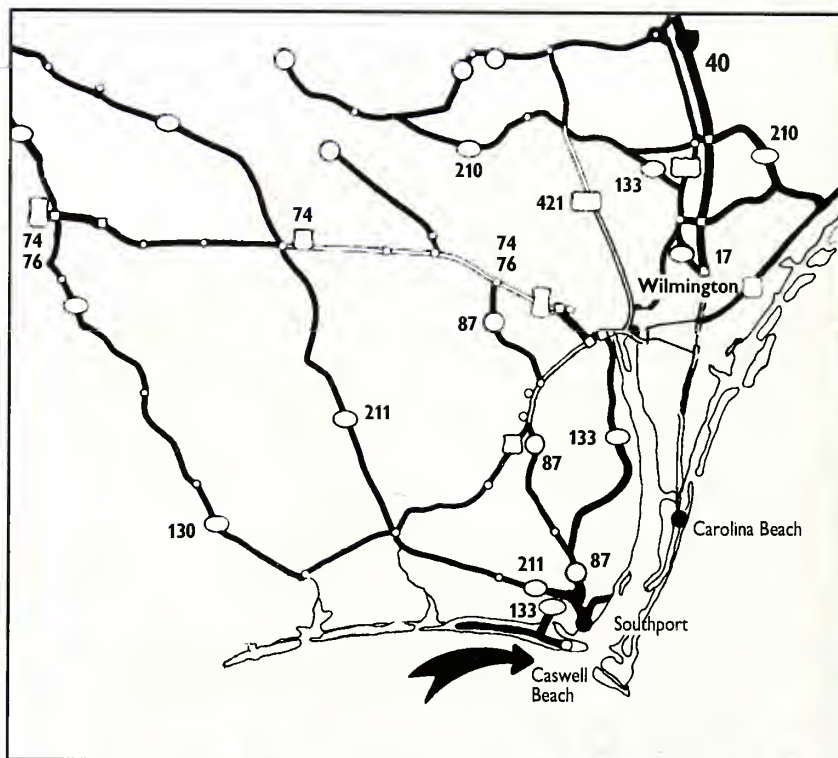


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Registration Information

I. Costs—Program Fee, Room, 3 Meals

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RIDGECREST SCHEDULE—SEPTEMBER 5–6, 1997

FRIDAY

6:15–6:50 p.m. General Session
 7:00–8:10 p.m. Session 1
 8:20–9:30 p.m. Session 2

SATURDAY

8:15– 9:25 a.m. Session 3
 9:35–10:45 a.m. Session 4
 10:45–11:15 a.m. Break
 11:15–12:30 p.m. Session 5

Title	Session	Leader
PRESCHOOL		
Babies And Ones <i>Purpose: Babies and ones are special. Examine how they learn and effective ways to teach them at church.</i>	5	Anne L. Edwards
Basics For New Preschool Teachers <i>Purpose: Teachers and directors with a year or less experience will learn about their teaching responsibilities, how preschoolers learn, how to teach preschoolers effectively, and about the preschool learning environment.</i>	1–2 (cont'd)	Cathy Hopkins
Being An Effective Preschool Sunday School Division Director <i>Purpose: Ideas will be shared with coordinators of preschool departments/classes to help them encourage, assist, and support the preschool teachers.</i>	1	Janet Myers
Can Our Church Have A Preschool Ministry? <i>Purpose: Explore the elements needed to design a healthy, customized preschool ministry in your church.</i>	5	Cathy Hopkins
Discipleship Is For Preschoolers And Children, Too! <i>Purpose: An overview of discipleship resources available to use with preschoolers and children.</i>	1	Angela Clark
First Contact—Make It Happen! <i>Purpose: This conference is designed to help leadership discover the potential for reaching and ministering to young families with babies (up to 12 months old) and expectant parents.</i>	1 and 3	Anne L. Edwards
Having An Effective Mission Friends Program In My Church <i>Purpose: Learn about the Mission Friends program; what happens in a Mission Friends meeting; how to use Start and Share; and share ideas that have worked for you. The new Mission Friends Class for parents will also be discussed.</i>	2 and 4	Felicity Gordon
Instilling Values In Preschoolers And Children <i>Purpose: A look at what we can do to be a positive influence in the lives of preschoolers and children. Possible resources will be shared.</i>	3	Cathy Hopkins
Is Your Church Preschool Friendly? <i>Purpose: What says "welcome" to parents of preschoolers? What will bring them back to the church after their first visit? Are there things you could change to net those new members? This conference will help you deal with these concerns.</i>	4	Anne L. Edwards
Ministry To Families Of Preschoolers And Children In Crisis <i>Purpose: How do I minister to families of children and preschoolers in times of crisis? Come discover ways of reaching out and ministering to families in crisis settings.</i>	2	Anne L. Edwards
Nature And Art Experiences For Preschoolers <i>Purpose: Hands-on lab for teaching preschoolers about God through nature and art.</i>	2	Susan Stroud
Preschool And Children's TeamKID Overview <i>Purpose: An overview of Preschool TeamKID and Children's TeamKID materials and resources.</i>	5	Angela Clark

Preschool Learning Centers Come Alive! <i>Purpose: Conferees will experience the joys of teaching through learning centers.</i>	4 and 5	Janet Myers
Preschool TeamKID <i>Purpose: Experience an action-packed discipleship club for 3's-5's.</i>	3	Angela Clark
Preschoolers And Worship <i>Purpose: A look at how we can prepare preschoolers for a lifetime of worship experiences.</i>	2	Janet Myers
Reaching Preschoolers And Their Families <i>Purpose: Ideas and strategies for reaching preschoolers and their families for Christ will be shared.</i>	4	Cathy Hopkins
Teaching Fours And Fives <i>Purpose: Discover how special 4's and 5's are by exploring their characteristics, how they learn, and how they can be taught effectively.</i>	5	Susan Stroud
Telling Interesting Stories To Preschoolers And Children <i>Purpose: Teachers will learn principles and techniques for making Bible stories or childhood experience stories come to life.</i>	2 and 4	Louise Caldwell
Today's Preschoolers <i>Purpose: What are preschoolers in the 90s like? A look at them, their environment, and their stressors.</i>	4	Susan Stroud
Two's And Three's Are Terrific <i>Purpose: Learn more about the 2's and 3's you teach! Explore the how's and why's of teaching them.</i>	3	Janet Myers
Using The Bible With Preschoolers <i>Purpose: Provide a look at how preschoolers can learn about the Bible at church and home.</i>	1 and 3	Susan Stroud

CHILDREN

A Zillion Ideas For Reaching Children Through Parties And Fellowships <i>Purpose: Sunday School teachers will learn how to reach new children and minister to those already enrolled through fun parties, fellowships, and outings.</i>	2 and 3	Beth Taylor
Bible Skills Can Be Fun <i>Purpose: Children's teachers will learn how to help different ages of children learn to use their Bibles through games, puzzles, and other fun experiences.</i>	1 and 4	Beth Taylor
Children's Bible Drill <i>Purpose: Will introduce Children's Bible Drill to the inexperienced and update the experienced leader by sharing strategies and resources for a Bible Drill ministry in your church.</i>	1	Lois McCoy
Coed Mission Options For Children <i>Purpose: Learn about the exciting coed missions organizations for children-Mission Friends and Children in Action. The content will include resources available, helps for the leaders, and what happens in the meetings.</i>	2 and 5	Cara Lynn Croom
Discipleship Is For Preschoolers And Children, Too! <i>Purpose: An overview of discipleship resources available to use with preschoolers and children.</i>	1	Angela Clark
Does Bible Study with Children Have To Be On Sunday Morning? <i>Purpose: Children can be reached and taught at many different times, in a variety of settings, and in numerous locations. Conferees will explore new ideas and fresh approaches to making Bible study even more child-appealing and teacher-enriching.</i>	5	Janice Haywood

Does Your Church Have A Quality Children's Program? <i>Purpose: Children's leadership and church staff will learn the criteria for evaluating a quality program for children as well as discover ways of implementing the elements in their church.</i>	4	Janice Haywood
Essential Tools For New Children's Sunday School Workers <i>Purpose: Children's Sunday School workers with two or less years of experience will discover how they can have an effective and exciting ministry with children.</i>	1-2 (cont'd)	Janet Whitaker
Experiencing God For Preteens And Youth <i>Purpose: Review curriculum that helps preteens and youth recognize God's will for their lives.</i>	5	Lois McCoy
Guiding The Difficult Behavior Of Children <i>Purpose: Teachers will explore how to help some children who need a little extra attention and guidance in their behavior.</i>	3 and 5	Janet Whitaker
Having An Effective Girls In Action Program In My Church <i>Purpose: Learn about the Girls in Action program; what happens in a GA meeting; how to use Aware, Discovery, and GA World; and share ideas that have worked for you.</i>	1 and 3	Alice Bates
Helping Youth And Children Know Who We Are As Baptists <i>Purpose: Are we raising a generation of youth and children who do not know who Baptists are? This conference will help you know how to teach them about Baptist doctrines and how we operate.</i>	3 and 5	Jeanie Whitehead
Helps For Children's Division Directors <i>Purpose: Children's Sunday School Division Directors who are responsible for enlisting, training, equipping, and encouraging children's teachers will be given help in how to do their job effectively.</i>	3	Louise Caldwell
Instilling Values In Preschoolers And Children <i>Purpose: A look at what we can do to be a positive influence in the lives of preschoolers and children. Possible resources will be shared.</i>	3	Cathy Hopkins
Inviting Children To Pray <i>Purpose: Children's workers will discover a variety of ways to invite children to pray while exploring the process of faith development.</i>	1 and 3	Janice Haywood
Keys To A Successful Royal Ambassador Program <i>Purpose: What are the elements that can make a Royal Ambassador program successful in your church? Learn some ways to make mission education for 1st-6th grade boys fun and worthwhile.</i>	1 and 2	Mark Abernathy
Made For Praise: A Praise And Worship Music Resource For Children <i>Purpose: An introduction to the newest music resource from the BSSB for younger and older children.</i>	3 and 4	Susan Ward
Making "The Stuff" Work For You <i>Purpose: For people who want to know more about how to use the resources which come in children's BSSB Sunday School curriculum, there will be an exploration of the creative uses for the resource kit, the teaching choices, and the teaching pictures.</i>	2	Janice Haywood
Ministry To Families Of Preschoolers And Children In Crisis <i>Purpose: How do I minister to families of children and preschoolers in times of crisis? Come discover ways of reaching out and ministering to families in crisis settings.</i>	2	Anne L. Edwards
New Ideas For Experienced Children's Sunday School Directors And Teachers <i>Purpose: Experienced Children's Sunday School workers (more than two years of teaching children) will explore new ideas and fresh approaches to making Bible study even more child-appealing and teacher-enriching.</i>	1 and 5	Louise Caldwell
Now That I'm A Christian <i>Purpose: Explore a plan to guide children toward a genuine, growing Christian faith.</i>	3 and 4	Lois McCoy

Opportunities With First Graders <i>Purpose: Looking at the unique needs of first graders, children's workers will explore creative ways to help them transition from preschool into first grade.</i>	4	Janet Whitaker
Overview Of Truth Works And KidShare <i>Purpose: Leaders will overview Truth Works, a study on helping children make choices, and KidShare, material used for a support group for children of divorced parents.</i>	2	Angela Clark
Preschool And Children's TeamKID Overview <i>Purpose: An overview of Preschool TeamKID and Children's TeamKID materials and resources.</i>	5	Angela Clark
Sixth Graders Need A Special Year <i>Purpose: Sixth grade Sunday School teachers will explore how to make the transitional 6th grade year a special experience.</i>	5	Beth Taylor
TeamKID For Children <i>Purpose: Explore TeamKID, a discipleship club for 1st-6th graders.</i>	4	Angela Clark
Telling Interesting Stories To Preschoolers And Children <i>Purpose: Teachers will learn principles and techniques for making Bible stories or childhood experience stories come to life.</i>	2 and 4	Louise Caldwell
Using Fun Songs, Choruses, And Hymns In Teaching Children <i>Purpose: The use of music in teaching spiritual concepts, and obtaining the child's interest.</i>	1 and 5	Susan Ward

YOUTH

Better Organization For Purpose-Driven Youth Ministry <i>Purpose: Help churches see the benefits of using a Youth Ministry Council and Lead Teams to plan and implement a sound, well-balanced, youth ministry.</i>	2	Hal Melton
Coed Missions For Youth <i>Purpose: Learn about the exciting coed missions organizations for youth-World Changers Express and Youth On Mission. The content will include resources available, helps for the leaders, and what happens in a meeting and in the projects.</i>	1 and 4	Jeanie Whitehead
Creating Visuals That Teach <i>Purpose: Conferees will discover how to use art materials, rocks, brushes, resource kits, etc. for creating focal walls and other stimuli for creative teaching for youth Sunday School.</i>	5	Michael Capps
Crossover: Transition From High School To College <i>Purpose: A youth ministry that encourages high school students in the college transition recognizes the value of preparation in the high school years. Join us for a lively discussion of the issues and discover some exciting possibilities.</i>	3 and 4	Joe Clontz
Dialogue-College Student Ministry <i>Purpose: Come join others who have some ideas and are looking for new ideas about ways to begin and/or improve college student ministry.</i>	5	Joe Clontz
Experiencing God For Preteens And Youth <i>Purpose: Review curriculum that helps preteens and youth recognize God's will for their lives.</i>	5	Lois McCoy
Games That Teach <i>Purpose: Conference will focus on games that teach the Bible.</i>	3 and 4	Michael Capps
Having An Effective Acteens Program In My Church <i>Purpose: Learn about the Acteens program, what happens in an Acteens meeting, how to use Accent magazine, and share ideas that have worked for you.</i>	2 and 4	Mary Ashe

Helping Youth And Children Know Who We Are As Baptists <i>Purpose: Are we raising a generation of youth and children who do not know who Baptists are? This conference will help you know how to teach them about Baptist doctrines and how we operate.</i>	3 and 5	Jeanie Whitehead
Helping Youth Grow Spiritually <i>Purpose: Resources that are available for helping youth to grow spiritually including Youth Experiencing God.</i>	3	Joe Sinclair
Ideas And Games For Youth Sunday School Fellowships <i>Purpose: Conferees will learn gaming techniques and play some of the games that will make a youth Sunday School fellowship a fun group building event.</i>	1 and 2	Michael Capps
Involving Youth In Ministry Through The Sunday School <i>Purpose: Bible study doesn't stop at the end of Sunday School on Sunday morning. Ministry opportunities, mission projects, and outreach actions can be an outgrowth of the Bible study. Conferees will learn how to involve youth in ministry through Sunday School.</i>	5	Robert Garrett
Just For New Teachers <i>Purpose: Two hours of the basics: organizing, teaching, and reaching for new youth Sunday School Workers</i>	1-2 (cont'd)	Joe Sinclair
Leading Young Men In Missions: Challengers <i>Purpose: Learn how to lead young men, grades 7-12, in becoming personally involved in ongoing Bible study and mission projects.</i>	1 and 2	Jimmy Huffman
Legal Issues In Youth Ministry <i>Purpose: Help those who work with teens to examine adult behaviors/decisions once considered "normal" in youth work, but in the 90s are seen as very risky!</i>	1 and 5	Hal Melton
Maintaining Your Youth Choir <i>Purpose: Promotion, motivation, and Youth Choir projects are a few of the topics covered in this conference.</i>	1	Rick Ramsey
Motivation To Teach Youth <i>Purpose: From new teachers struggling with insecurities to experienced teachers struggling with burnout, all teachers occasionally need a "shot in the arm." This session is full of encouragement and ends with a creative worship time.</i>	5	Joe Sinclair
Nothing But Methods <i>Purpose: Two hours of inventive, interesting, and exciting ways to hook learners' attention, keep them motivated for learning, and help them apply Biblical truths through creative teaching methods.</i>	1-2 (cont'd) and 3-4 (cont'd)	Karen Dockrey
Now That I'm A Christian <i>Purpose: Explore a plan to guide children toward a genuine, growing Christian faith.</i>	3 and 4	Lois McCoy
Planning For Youth Sunday School <i>Purpose: Conferees will learn techniques of regular planning that will involve workers and youth in good Bible teaching on Sunday morning, plus effective reaching and ministry that are outgrowths of the Bible study.</i>	3 and 4	Robert Garrett
Plugging Into A Teen's World <i>Purpose: Conferees will discover ways to be involved with youth outside of the Sunday morning Sunday School hour, learn how to "plug" into the world of youth, and understand societal pressures facing youth today.</i>	4	Joe Sinclair
Reaching Today's Youth With The Gospel <i>Purpose: We will inform participants of strategies and events which are being used to reach unchurched youth and help Christian youth to demonstrate more boldness in their Christian testimony.</i>	1 and 5	Nelson Searcy

Team Building In Youth Sunday School <i>Purpose: Conferees will discover the concept of Ministry Ownership and learn new ways to get involved with youth over the long haul. Actual team building experiences will be shared.</i>	1 and 2	Robert Garrett
Understanding And Ministering To College Students <i>Purpose: Who are college students? What is all this "stuff" about the X generation? What are their unique needs? How can we minister to them through existing church programs? What are some of the new programs we could consider?</i>	1 and 2	Joe Clontz
Vocal Production, Rehearsal Techniques, And Music Selection For Youth Choirs <i>Purpose: Learn ways to help your youth sing better using a variety of music through a variety of teaching methods.</i>	2	Rick Ramsey
Will I Ever Feel Good Again? <i>Purpose: Conferees will learn how to deal with youth and depression, grief, and guilt. Will I Ever Feel Good Again? by Karen Dockrey will be our resource.</i>	5	Karen Dockrey
Youth Bible Drill/Youth Speakers' Tournament <i>Purpose: Explore Youth Bible Drill and Youth Speakers' Tournament strategies and resources.</i>	2	Lois McCoy

COLLEGE

Crossover: Transition From High School To College <i>Purpose: A youth ministry that encourages high school students in the college transition recognizes the value of preparation in the high school years. Join us for a lively discussion of the issues and discover some exciting possibilities.</i>	3 and 4	Joe Clontz
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ADULT

Adult Sunday School Work In Smaller Membership Churches <i>Purpose: Discover ways to deal with the uniqueness of adult Sunday School work in smaller membership churches.</i>	3	Fred Lunsford
After Promise Keepers, Now What? <i>Purpose: If the men of your church have experienced an awakening at a Promise Keepers rally, discover how organizing men's ministry groups can help your church "keep the fire burning" by providing spiritual, emotional, and Scriptural nurturing.</i>	3 and 4	Richard Brunson
Are You Willing To "Risk" Failure By Trying Something New And Different In Adult Sunday School Work? <i>Purpose: Many of our adult Sunday School departments and classes are paralyzed by tradition and the proverbial "we've never done it that way before" attitude. Explore how your adult Sunday School can be mobilized for creative thinking and doing.</i>	4	Skip Fendley
Assimilating New Members <i>Purpose: Assimilating new members and new converts is essential to growing a healthy church that retains its membership. Practical ideas will be shared of how to accomplish this in all different sized congregations.</i>	1 and 4	Jerri Herring

Blended Worship: Bring The Traditional And The Contemporary Together <i>Purpose: Conferees will learn how to blend the traditional elements of worship with the contemporary.</i>	5	Wally Shamburger and Steve Scoggins
Building A Missions Team With Your Congregation <i>Purpose: Discover the basics for developing an effective missions ministry team to plan and coordinate the total missions emphases of your church.</i>	1 and 3	Margaret McCarthy
Caregiving With Homebound <i>Purpose: Conferees will examine ways to minister effectively to those who are confined at home or in institutions.</i>	5	Skip Fendley
Church For The Unchurched <i>Purpose: We will review the characteristics of the unchurched and how to attract and reach the unchurched for Christ through traditional and innovative means of structure and ministry focus.</i>	1-2 (cont'd) pastors and staff ministers 3-4 (cont'd) lay leaders	George Hunter
Coed Mission Opportunities For Adults <i>Purpose: Discover the options for teaching and involving adults in missions in a coed setting.</i>	5	Bob and Phyllis Foy
Communicating Who Baptists Are To Adults <i>Purpose: Is your church reaching people who do not have a Baptist background or no Christian background at all? This conference will help you know how to communicate who Baptists are, how we operate, and what we believe.</i>	2 and 4	Joyce Wyatt
Communication Skills That Connect And Heal: Listening, Observing, Talking <i>Purpose: The purpose of this conference is to reduce misunderstanding and conflict so as to improve harmonious working relationships among church leaders.</i>	3-5 (cont'd) or may attend each separately	Fred McGehee
Creating A Disciple-Making Church <i>Purpose: We will focus on making disciples as the church's basic philosophy of ministry. Issues to be addressed include: Why does the church need to be "reinvented" for the modern world?, How do we ease the pain of paradigm shifting?, and more.</i>	1, 2, 3, and 4	Ronny Russell
Current Trends In Family Life <i>Purpose: A historical look at family life and what makes our times different. Instruction on ways the church can address the issues affecting families today.</i>	2 and 4	Steve Sumerel
Deacon Servanthood: Ministry Or Management? <i>Purpose: We will explore the Biblical basis of deacon ministry and discuss the issues involved in making the transition between management and ministry.</i>	1 and 2	Dan Deaton
Developing A Media Library Ministry <i>Purpose: How to meet the needs of and support the educational program ministry of your church. Help for beginners and those wishing to expand their ministry.</i>	1 and 2	Jeanne Tucker
Developing An Effective Deacon Ministry Plan <i>Purpose: We will discuss the essentials in developing an effective deacon ministry plan and how to introduce it to the congregation.</i>	3 and 4	Dan Deaton
Dialogue On Adult Sunday School Work <i>Purpose: Questions, concerns, etc. about adult Sunday School work will be discussed as conferees will set the agenda for this conference.</i>	3	Steve Zimmerman
Dialogue On Unchurched <i>Purpose: Question/answer time with George Hunter on the subject of the unchurched.</i>	5	George Hunter
Dialogue With Ministers Of Education: Facing Critical Issues In Christian Education <i>Purpose: Review critical issues in Christian education and assess future directions of education ministry in the local church.</i>	4	Ron Pratt

Dialogue-College Student Ministry <i>Purpose: Come join others who have some ideas and are looking for new ideas about ways to begin and/or improve college student ministry.</i>	5	Joe Clontz
Discovering And Using Your Spiritual Gifts <i>Purpose: Review resources and strategies for gift discovery and use in the church.</i>	3	Ron Pratt
Don't Forget The Learning Environment As You Teach <i>Purpose: Conferees will demonstrate an understanding of how the physical, psychological, and social environment impacts the learning experience for adults.</i>	5	Bo Prosser
Effective Ministry To Singles Through Sunday School <i>Purpose: Conferees will examine how an effective ministry to single adults can be established through Sunday School.</i>	5	Bonnie Doughtie
Getting Your Sunday School Class Involved In Missions <i>Purpose: Discover ways to lead your Sunday School class in doing missions together through Project Angel Tree, Community Service Projects, construction projects, Habitat for Humanity, and others.</i>	1 and 2	Lisa Chilson
Growing Disciples Through New Member Training <i>Purpose: We will seek to understand the nature and importance of new member training in growing disciples of all ages.</i>	2 and 5	Jerri Herring
Handyman Ministries <i>Purpose: Discover ways church members can use their God-given skills in ministering to those in their church and community. This conference will look at how to set up a "handyman" ministry and explain how it can be used as a tool for doing local missions.</i>	3 and 4	Lyman Fisher
Having An Effective Women On Mission Organization In My Church <i>Purpose: Learn what the options are for Women on Mission, how to use Missions Mosaic, and share ideas that have worked for you.</i>	2 and 5	Jeanie Hamm
Help! An Unsaved Person Is In My Class <i>Purpose: Adult leaders and members will discuss and understand evangelistic opportunities and what to do to share the gospel with one who is lost and involved in their class.</i>	4 and 5	Vic Payne
Helping Families Become Media Literate <i>Purpose: Families must deal with TV, magazines, and, now, the Internet. The church can help families learn how to use these resources wisely and avoid the negative effects.</i>	1 and 3	Steve Sumner
Helping Hurting People <i>Purpose: An adult Sunday School class is an appropriate place for meaningful ministry. Discover ways to identify and help those who are hurting in our midst.</i>	1 and 2	Bonnie Doughtie
Helping Your Church Find Focus And Effectiveness In Ministry <i>Purpose: We will explore the principles of strategic planning as set forth in Kingdom Growth Principles by Gene Mims which has proven to assist churches in finding focus and effectiveness.</i>	1 and 2	Ron Pratt
How To Be A Missions-Minded Family <i>Purpose: Discover how to develop a missions mindset within your family. Learn ways your family can be involved in effective mission projects in your own neighborhood and community.</i>	3 and 4	Bob and Phyllis Foy
I Can't Get Anyone To Do Anything In My Class! <i>Purpose: Conferees will study the important task of developing other leaders for service in an adult Sunday School class. How to enlist and train class leaders for effective service will be examined.</i>	3	Vic Payne

I'm A New Adult Sunday School Teacher And Looking For Help! <i>Purpose: New and inexperienced adult Sunday School teachers will examine the basics for successful work with adults.</i>	1-2 (cont'd)	Bo Prosser
Improving My Personal Prayer Life <i>Purpose: Is your prayer life at best sporadic? Discover resources as well as what can be great motivators to improve this very vital part of the spiritual growth of a Christian.</i>	1 and 3	Dot Allred
Improving The Accuracy Of Your Empathy <i>Purpose: The specific objective of this conference is to multiply your effectiveness in caring skills as a church leader.</i>	1 and 2	Fred McGehee
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Let's Have 100% In Our Class: You're Not 100% Unless Members, Prospects, And The Lost Are Involved! <i>Purpose: Conferees will study the Biblical mandate for reaching the lost and then interpret that Scripture in relationship to adult Sunday School classes. Leaders will be encouraged and inspired to enroll lost people in adult classes.</i>	1 and 2	Steve Zimmerman
Let's Have A Party! <i>Purpose: Conferees will explore ways to plan and implement social activities to enhance fellowship among adults.</i>	3 and 4	Bonnie Doughtie
Making Bible Study Exciting For Adults <i>Purpose: Adult Sunday School teachers will identify actions and explore ways to make Bible study more purposeful and exciting.</i>	4 and 5	Neal Cordle
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Ministry With Older Adults <i>Purpose: Assessing the opportunities and possibilities for senior adult ministry: beginning, maintaining, improving, overhauling.</i>	1, 2, 3, 4, and 5	David Moore
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<i>Purpose: Conferees will identify ways to remove the veil from our eyes to discover adult prospects who are waiting to be reached and will examine an effective outreach plan to reach them for Bible study.</i> | 4 and 5 | Steve Zimmerman |

What Do We Do With Those Who Never Come? Can't We Just Drop Them?

5

Fred Lunsford

Purpose: Conferees will answer the age-old question of "responsibility" to those who never come but are still members or prospects for our adult departments and classes. When do we drop them?

GENERAL**Assimilating New Members**

1 and 4

Jerri Herring

Purpose: Assimilating new members and new converts is essential to growing a healthy church that retains its membership. Practical ideas will be shared of how to accomplish this in different sized congregations.

Better Organization For Purpose-Driven Youth Ministry

2

Hal Melton

Purpose: Help churches see the benefits of using a Youth Ministry Council and Lead Teams to plan and implement a sound, well-balanced, youth ministry.

Blended Worship: Bring The Traditional And The Contemporary Together

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Wally Shamburger
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1 and 3

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George Hunter

Communicating Who Baptists Are To Adults

2 and 4

Joyce Wyatt

Purpose: Is your church reaching people who do not have a Baptist background or no Christian background at all? This conference will help you know how to communicate who Baptists are, how we operate, and what we believe.

Communication Skills That Connect And Heal: Listening, Observing, Talking

3-5 (cont'd) or may
attend each separately

Fred McGehee

Purpose: The purpose of this conference is to reduce misunderstanding and conflict so as to improve harmonious working relationships among church leaders.

Creating A Disciple-Making Church

1, 2, 3, and 4

Ronny Russell

Purpose: We will focus on making disciples as the church's basic philosophy of ministry. Issues to be addressed include: Why does the church need to be "reinvented" for the modern world?, How do we ease the pain of paradigm shifting?, and more.

Current Trends In Family Life

2 and 4

Steve Sumerel

Purpose: A historical look at family life and what makes our times different. Instruction on ways the church can address the issues affecting families today.

Deacon Servanthood: Ministry Or Management?

1 and 2

Dan Deaton

Purpose: We will explore the Biblical basis of deacon ministry and discuss the issues involved in making the transition between management and ministry.

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2 and 5

Jack Sisson

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3 and 4

Jeanne Tucker

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Purpose: A seminar for pastors and staff ministers. Concepts and suggestions for applying visionary leadership skills in order to build a great church.

1 and 2

Max Caldwell

SPECIAL EDUCATION

How To Start A Special Education Class

Purpose: The basics of setting up a Special Education Class with suggestions for curriculum, resources, and lesson plans.

2

Patsy Koutsogeorgas

Strengthening Your Special Education Ministry

Purpose: Practical helps for use of all current curriculum materials; handling classroom problems; outreach suggestions; ways to minister to the whole family; reaching group home residents with a church-based ministry; etc.

3-5 (cont'd)

Patsy Koutsogeorgas

Why Have A Special Education Ministry?

Purpose: An awareness conference on the need for a Special Education Ministry and what it can mean to the person, the family, and the church.

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Where is the hope?



70,000 children in North Carolina have a parent in prison.

10 percent of North Carolina Baptist associations are metropolitan areas.

The need for new ministries in the inner city is growing faster than our capacity to meet it.

Struggling to provide for their families, more than 70,000 seasonal workers come through North Carolina every year.

There are an estimated 50 different language groups in NC. At present, North Carolina Baptists have missions to only 21 of these groups.



Hurricane Fran affected 60 percent of our state. North Carolina has had five presidentially declared disasters in the last two years.

98 percent of Americans will be a victim of theft or a property crime. One in four will be the victim of a violent crime.

Nearly 200 children in North Carolina are infected with the AIDS virus.



Where is the hope?

Our hope is in Christ and what He can do through us to help our neighbors. For thousands of people in North Carolina, Baptist mission programs, supported by the North Carolina Missions Offering, provide hope in desperate situations. Your involvement in this vital offering helps continue and even expand the work God is doing in our state.

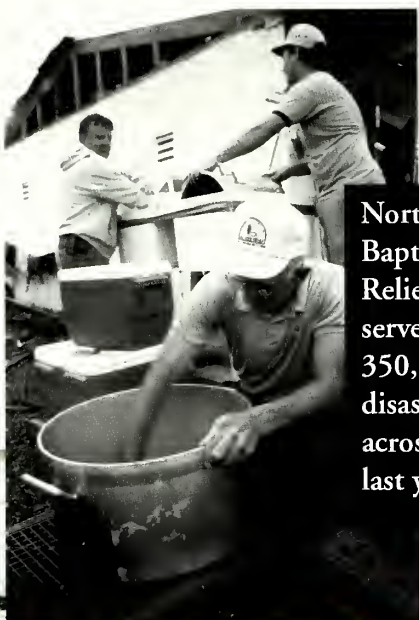
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Some say you'll never know all the people you touch for Christ during your lifetime. But that's only partly true. Look around your community. Look across your home state. The Lord is at work because North Carolina Baptists are reaching out to their neighbors through local missions. You can see the results today.

One More Church Helped

Ronald Poythress, pastor of Carolina Beach (NC) Church, will never forget Hurricane Fran. Driving rains filled his church's basement, backing up the sewer lines into the building. But in less than seven hours, a disaster relief team of Baptist Men from Brunswick County,

cleaned and sanitized the church. "Our members had to secure their own



North Carolina Baptist Disaster Relief teams served more than 350,000 meals to disaster victims across our state last year.



homes after the storm, so the church would have had to wait," Ronald said. "But these men filled in the gap. They gave of their time, energy, resources, and skills to save our church. I'm overwhelmed with gratitude." Without North Carolina Baptist Disaster Relief teams, which are supported 100 percent by the North Carolina Missions Offering, Pastor Poythress' church may have been completely destroyed.

Building a Community Together

When Pastor Ricky Daughtridge came to Glory Church in Wilson in 1993 there were only eight members.

Surrounded by a community steeped in drugs, prostitution, and violence, the predominantly African-American church was struggling, sinking under the weight of indifference. With support from the Missions Division and the North Carolina Missions Offering, Ricky decided to take his new neighborhood back for Christ. "We started walking the streets, inviting people to church. They cursed at us, they spat on us, but we kept inviting them. Finally they saw we were not going to stop, so they started visiting the church."

In addition to reaching out, Ricky started pulling the community into Glory. He invited the substance abuse center to use the church facilities for classes. Wilson Community College agreed to start a General Educational Development (GED) program at Glory, and the local pregnancy center began a teenage mothers class. "We had to bring the people together, so we kept telling them, 'This is a community and we're going to have to work together to build it back up.' Basically, we just let them know that God loves them, we love them, and together we can save this community."

Serving God's Smallest Children

Each summer, hundreds of happy, healthy children attend Camp Mundo Vista and Camp Caraway. When September comes, your children and others in your church return to school ready to learn and thrive. But that isn't the case for many children in North Carolina: those with parents in prison, those with AIDS, those who struggle in school, those who are neglected.

"Nine years old is too young to have to deal with a sickness like AIDS," said Matt Walton, a Gardner-Webb student and volunteer counselor at Camp Kid-Care, a special week of camp at Caraway for children with AIDS or children who are living with an infected family member. "Camp Kid-Care is vital. It gives them a



With support from the Missions Division, Glory Church in Wilson reached out to the community. "Instead of running from the drug dealers, we ran to them," says pastor Ricky Daughtridge (top, on left).





chance to get away and be a kid again."

Bernice Smith, from Rosemary Church in Roanoke Rapids, is 77 years old, but that doesn't stop her from being part of NC WMU's "Support Our Students" program. She tutors two young brothers in their homework and in life. "When I started helping them, they couldn't even write their names. They were slipping through the cracks. I didn't have any rules to go by. I just wanted to help them. This program is one of the best things WMU has ever done."



The Practical Side of Ministry

The Hispanic couple had been living in Wilmington for a while when they decided to volunteer as translators at the Wilmington Association's Medical/Dental Clinic for seasonal farm workers. Clinic workers shared the gospel with them, and they accepted Christ. Today, both are active members of a local church. "Without the Baptist Men's medical/dental van, we couldn't have our clinic and that couple would never have come to know the Lord," said Mary Margaret Brooks, church and community minister at the Wilmington Association where more than 1,000 seasonal farm workers come every summer. "Plus we are able to offer medical/dental care to migrant workers and their families, some of whom had never been to a dentist before in their lives." All summer the association conducts dental clinics, Backyard Bible Clubs, and evangelistic services, working closely with two local Hispanic churches.

But much more could be done for these people. "In 1996, there were \$84,000 in requests that we couldn't fill," said John Jones, director of Language Ministries, Baptist State Convention. "If we had the funds, the potential to reach them would be there, but as it



Fran Carpenter (above, on left) works through NC WMU to minister to prisoners. The North Carolina Missions Offering provides 100 percent of the support for NC Baptist Men and WMU ministries.

is we can't even dream about it because we can't get peoples' hopes up and not be able to help."

Breaking the Cycle of Crime

"The gospel can go into a dark place and make a difference." Johnny Henderson, coordinator of North Carolina Baptist Men's Correctional Ministry, has seen it happen. So has Fran Carpenter. Both work through NC Baptist Men and Woman's Missionary Union to serve those society has turned its back on. Johnny helps organize Bible studies, worship services, concerts,



discipleship groups, mentoring, and sports programs as well as ministry to the families of prisoners. "Camp Angel Tree is one of our most vital tools for reaching the children of prisoners. A high percentage of children whose parents are criminals will become criminals themselves. We're trying to break the cycle of crime."

Fran, who started working in prison ministry by volunteering at the annual NC WMU retreat for women inmates at Camp Mundo Vista, became a victim of crime herself several years ago when her house was robbed. But it didn't stop her. She has sponsored eight prisoners and has seen many more give their lives to the Lord.

"Ninety percent of those who go into prison will come back out," said Johnny. "They'll mix with society—with my family, with your family. We want to do something to change them, and that's introduce them to Christ. What they need more than rehabilitation is rejuvenation."

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GOAL: \$2.1 MILLION**



An Overlooked Ministry

Most of us go to the county fair for fun and a little excitement. But for many carnival workers the fair is far from fun. "Many don't have a place to sleep or enough to eat. Some haven't seen the doctor in months. This is a tremendous opportunity for Baptists to help people in an overlooked area," said Carolyn Charles, coordinator of the carnival ministry in Buncombe Association. Their ministry includes a visit from the NC Baptist Men's Medical/Dental Van, a break tent for workers where food is provided, Bible studies, clothing and shoes, even hair cuts. Many of the same workers come to the fair year after year and Charles says it's a perfect opportunity



NC Missions Offering helps Buncombe Association minister to carnival workers. Almost 10 percent of an association's gifts to the offering return directly to the association.

for discipleship. "They greatly appreciate it. We hear from them throughout the year. They say this is the only time they get care like this."

Last year, a man from Atlanta came to Asheville's fair to visit several old carnival buddies. "We talked with him, and he accepted Christ. You could see the change in him overnight. He said, 'If I'd known Jesus would have lifted this burden off me like this, I'd have come years ago.'" Many will have the same chance this year when the Buncombe Association carnival ministry sets up under the big top, thanks in part to the North Carolina Missions Offering.

Did you know the North Carolina Missions Offering supports:

100 percent of North Carolina WMU's ministries
100 percent of North Carolina Baptist Men's ministries
Much of the North Carolina Mission Division's work
Student scholarships for Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute
Missions in your local association
Prison Ministries
Seasonal Farm Worker Missions
Camp Angel Tree at Camp Caraway and Mundo Vista
Camp Kid-Care at Camp Caraway
Disaster Relief Teams
Inner City Missions
Language Church Development and Support
Leadership and Ministries Training
Seminary Extension programs
Medical/Dental Van clinics
And much more...

Your faithful support of the North Carolina Missions Offering through your time, talents, and resources, allows these critical organizations to continue to be catalysts for ministry across our state. In the same way the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering and Lottie Moon Christmas Offering support mission efforts here in the United States and around the world, the North Carolina Missions Offering centers on North Carolina and her people.

This year's goal is \$2.1 million. Only by reaching it—even exceeding it—can we continue to offer help and hope to our neighbors right here in North Carolina. You don't have to travel 1,000 miles to serve the Lord through missions. You can go half a mile down your own street. Your neighbors are in need. Won't you help?

North Carolina Missions Offering. Offering help and hope in Jesus' name.

Week of Prayer for North Carolina Missions
Suggested Dates: September 14-21, GOAL: \$2.1 MILLION

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N.C. BAPTIST ASSEMBLY (CASWELL) SCHEDULE—SEPT. 26–27, 1997

FRIDAY

6:15–6:50 p.m.	General Session
7:00–8:10 p.m.	Session 1
8:20–9:30 p.m.	Session 2

SATURDAY

8:15– 9:25 a.m.	Session 3
9:35–10:45 a.m.	Session 4
10:45–11:15 a.m.	Break
11:15–12:30 p.m.	Session 5

Title	Session	Leader
PRESCHOOL		
Improving The Image Of Your Preschool <i>Purpose: Conferees will examine their preschool space, i.e. rooms, hallways, and how to heighten the importance of preschool ministry in their church.</i>	1	Cathy Hopkins
Using The Bible With Preschoolers <i>Purpose: Provides a look at how preschoolers can learn about the Bible at church and home.</i>	1 and 3	Sylvia Vestal
Help, I'm A New Preschool Teacher; Part 1 (session1), Part 2 (session2) <i>Purpose: Teachers and directors will learn the basics about preschool work and how to teach preschoolers effectively.</i>	1–2 (cont'd)	Janet Ivey
Elements Of A Quality Preschool And Children's Ministry <i>Purpose: A successful ministry is more than number of participants or number of activities or programs. Participants will discover the elements that successful and effective preschool and children's ministries exhibit.</i>	2	Janice Haywood
Let's Experience TeamKID <i>Purpose: Experience a fun-filled, action-packed Bible club for boys and girls (3's–5's and 1st–6th grades) to help them deal with issues related to their everyday life.</i>	2	Jan Norvell
Nature And Art Experiences For Preschoolers <i>Purpose: Hands-on lab for teaching preschoolers about God through nature and art.</i>	2	Sylvia Vestal
Group Time And Beyond <i>Purpose: Does the idea of leading group time for preschoolers stoke fear in your heart? Discover ways for preschoolers to learn through group time and transition times.</i>	2 and 3	Cathy Hopkins
Ministering To Preschoolers, Children, And Their Families In Crises <i>Purpose: Teachers will learn how to minister to preschoolers, children, and their families in crisis events such as death, divorce, separation, moving, loss of economic income, and many other difficult times.</i>	3	Janice Haywood
Striving For Excellence As A Preschool Division Director <i>Purpose: Preschool Department or Division Directors will be motivated to enlist, equip, and encourage their preschool leadership to strive for excellence.</i>	3	Janet Ivey
Preschool Teachers Wanna Know <i>Purpose: Dialogue with other preschool leaders and discover what others are doing in their preschool ministry. Various preschool resources will be shared.</i>	4	Cathy Hopkins
Today's Preschoolers <i>Purpose: What are preschoolers in the 90s like? A look at them, their environment, and their stressors.</i>	4	Sylvia Vestal
Guiding Preschoolers' Behavior <i>Purpose: Conferees will explore ways to guide the behavior of preschoolers positively.</i>	4 and 5	Janet Ivey
Having An Effective Mission Friends Organization <i>Purpose: Hear an overview of the Mission Friends program, what happens in a Mission Friends meeting, and the resources to help.</i>	5	Cara Lynn Croom

Teaching Fours And Fives

5

Sylvia Vestal

Purpose: Discover how special 4's and 5's are by exploring their characteristics, how they learn, and how they can be taught effectively.

CHILDREN**Improving The Image Of Your Children's Sunday School**

1

Gail Ledbetter

Purpose: Children's workers will explore the things which they can do to raise the visibility and status of the children's space, to effectively communicate children's issues to the church, and to appeal to prospective children and parents.

So You Want To Do A Children's Choir?

1

Susan Ward

Purpose: Philosophy, musical, and spiritual development of children's choirs.

Having An Effective Girls In Action Organization

1 and 4

Cara Lynn Croom

Purpose: Hear an overview of the Girls in Action program, what happens in a GA meeting, and the resources to help you.

Bible Learning Activities To Keep In Your "Pocket"

1 and 5

Jo Anne Harper

Purpose: The extra ideas shared will be those that sometimes are needed for early arrival activities, for children who complete their work early, and for those times when none of the suggested activities seem to be what you need for your group of children.

Building Strong Families

1 and 5

Jan Norvell

Purpose: Come learn about a new emphasis for helping parents train children to become happy and productive adults in our society, within our churches and at home. Build character in children and foster a godly, peaceful home.

Lifesaving Helps For New Children's Sunday School Workers

1-2 (cont'd)

Louise Caldwell

Purpose: New Sunday School teachers and directors (two or less years experience) will learn the basics of how to be an effective children's Sunday School worker.

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Keys To A Successful Royal Ambassador Program

2 and 3

Mark Abernathy

Purpose: Learn what elements can help make a Royal Ambassador program successful in your church, no matter what the size. Look at ways to motivate 1st-6th grade boys in fun and meaningful missious education and involvement.

Using Drama To Teach Children Is More Than A Play

2 and 3

Gail Ledbetter

Purpose: Drama is a very effective teaching method with children. Teachers will explore picture posing, role playing, pantomime, puppets, and other dramatic teaching methods.

Helping Children Make Right Choices

3

Jan Norvell

Purpose: Conferees will discover that they can help children make right moral choices about honesty, purity, love, justice, mercy, respect, and self-control based on God's Word.

Ministering To Preschoolers, Children, And Their Families In Crises

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The Ministry Of A Children's Sunday School Division Director

3

Jo Anne Harper

Purpose: The coordinator of all the children's classes or departments has a unique ministry through encouragement, organization, and assistance to the children's workers. Specific duties and ideas will be shared to assist in this important ministry.

Adding "Something Extra" To Large Group Time In Children's Sunday School <i>Purpose: The children's teacher or director will learn some creative ideas for making large group time extraordinary. The ideas will include storytelling tips, music experiences, application activities, and other methods.</i>	4	Jo Anne Harper
Coed Mission Options For Children <i>Purpose: Learn about two exciting coed missions organizations for children—Mission Kids and Children in Action. The content will include a look at available resources, as well as what happens in a typical meeting.</i>	4	Mark Abernathy
Helping Children Cope With Divorce <i>Purpose: Explore the how-to's of beginning a support group for children of divorce.</i>	4	Jan Norvell
Sixth Grade Ministry Ideas <i>Purpose: Sixth grade leadership will discover and share ways to make the 6th grade year in their church a unique year for this special age.</i>	4	Gail Ledbetter
Using Fun Songs, Choruses, And Hymns In Teaching Children <i>Purpose: Conferees will learn songs to use in their teaching with children.</i>	4	Susan Ward
"Teacher, I Want To Be Baptized" <i>Purpose: Teachers and directors will learn how to talk with a child about salvation, using appropriate vocabulary, questions, and Scriptures.</i>	4 and 5	Louise Caldwell
Children's Bible Drill <i>Purpose: Learn how to develop the Bible skills of your 4th–6th graders through this fun and challenging program. New resources will be reviewed and ideas for beginning or improving CBD in your church will be shared.</i>	3	Lois McCoy
Making "The Stuff" Work For You In Sunday School <i>Purpose: There are many teaching aids for children's Sunday School workers, but how does a teacher organize them and use them effectively? Workers will learn how they can save time in preparation and planning and explore creative ways in using teaching aids.</i>	5	Janice Haywood
What's NEW In Children's Choir Work <i>Purpose: The latest resources for children's choir work.</i>	5	Susan Ward

YOUTH

Witnessing To Teens In A Tough World <i>Purpose: A youth minister shares his heart and his how-to's for pointing youth to Christ in a tough world that directs its attention elsewhere.</i>	1	Kevin Davis
Preparing Youth For The Challenges Of Today And Tomorrow <i>Purpose: Discuss issues facing our youth and discover ways the church can equip them to meet and be victorious over these challenges.</i>	1 and 5	David Bennett
New Teachers, Never Fear, Ms. Youth Sunday School Is Here <i>Purpose: Two hours of enough helpful insights, hints, and creative ideas to overcome any fear of teaching teenagers.</i>	1–2 (cont'd)	Diane Cobb
Designing A Youth Bible Study From Scratch <i>Purpose: Using basic teaching principles and creative teaching methods, conferees will learn how to design an exciting youth Bible study experience from scratch, regardless of curriculum.</i>	1–2 (cont'd) and 3–4 (cont'd)	Greg Miller and Beth Miller
Back By Popular Demand: Games And Fellowship Ideas <i>Purpose: Games that make a youth Sunday School Fellowship exciting and fun.</i>	2	Kevin Davis
Coed Missions For Youth <i>Purpose: Learn about exciting coed missions options for youth. The content will include missions education material as well as mission opportunities.</i>	2 and 3	Jimmy Huffman

Experiencing God—Youth <i>Purpose: Discover how this adaptation of Henry Blackaby's study can help the youth in your church understand their part in working with God to carry out His will and purpose in our world.</i>	2 and 3	David Bennett
Having An Effective Acteens Organization <i>Purpose: Hear an overview of the Acteens program, what happens in an Acteens meeting, and the resources to help.</i>	2 and 4	Deborah Carpenter
Building Assets In Youth <i>Purpose: In a recent survey, it was discovered that the more assets an adolescent had the more likely he or she was to be successful. This conference helps youth leaders to be asset builders. Based on What Kids Need to Succeed.</i>	3	Diane Cobb
How To Teach To Meet The Learning Styles Of All Your Youth <i>Purpose: An overview of learning styles with an emphasis on how to teach using a variety of learning approaches.</i>	5	Greg Miller
Not Another Exciting Planning Conference! <i>Purpose: Planning is not the most exciting subject. However, when you consider that planning is simply talking together and most of us love to talk, it can be a fun and meaningful way to get things done. Planning = building Team Spirit; Praying together; PLanning together; worKing and playing together. Plan=to TALK</i>	5	Beth Miller
The X Files: Top Secrets About The Youth Generation <i>Purpose: What's different about this youth generation? What are they facing no other generation has experienced? How can we understand them and their world in ways that will help us teach them life-changing Bible truths? These and other questions will be considered.</i>	3	Kevin Davis
Curing The Outreach Blahs <i>Purpose: An RX for the outreach blahs. Practical ideas for reaching today's teens.</i>	4	Kevin Davis
Setting Youth Free To Make Right Choices <i>Purpose: How to use the material from Josh McDowell to equip the youth in your church to learn to discern right from wrong in today's culture.</i>	4	David Bennett
Youth Bible Drill And Youth Speakers' Tournament <i>Purpose: Discover how these programs can help develop Bible skills and encourage your youth to share their Christian faith.</i>	4	Lois McCoy
Back By Popular Demand: Youth Sunday School-A Live Demonstration <i>Purpose: Conferees will participate in an actual Youth Sunday-School model session to discover ideas for creating an exciting learning experience.</i>	4 and 5	Diane Cobb
Building An Evangelistic Youth Ministry <i>Purpose: Learn the trends, obstacles, and resources available for your youth evangelism ministry. Learn how to maximize your outreach and how to train your youth to share the gospel with their friends.</i>	5	Nelson Searcy
Implementing Time To Tell <i>Purpose: Time to Tell is a new national emphasis encouraging youth to share their faith. Learn how you can use Time To Tell as part of your overall youth ministry.</i>	5	Brad Jurkovich
Youth Are Great Ministers. Give Them A Try! <i>Purpose: Ideas that work to get youth involved in hands-on ministry actions. By the way, this one idea will multiply the leader's effectiveness by 2-3 times.</i>	5	Kevin Davis

COLLEGE

College Students: Understanding And Teaching Them <i>Purpose: Who are college students? What are their developmental tasks which should be understood as you lead them in meaningful Bible study?</i>	1-2 (cont'd)	Gene Ledbetter
What Is Involved In Ministry With College Students? <i>Purpose: Explore the necessary ingredients for a viable "wholistic" ministry with college students.</i>	3-4 (cont'd)	Gene Ledbetter
College Swap Shop: Share Program/Ministry Ideas With Others <i>Purpose: Come share with other local church leaders who struggle with what to do with college students.</i>	5	Gene Ledbetter

ADULT

Spiritual Gifts: Are They Still Viable Today? <i>Purpose: Help adult Sunday School members discover and use their spiritual gifts in effective service.</i>	1	Johnnie Laye
Ministering To Adults In Times Of Crisis <i>Purpose: Discover ways the adult Sunday School class and its leadership team can be intentional in this critical area.</i>	1 and 2	Denise Smith
My Class Is A Zoo: Feed The Wildlife By Building Relationships <i>Purpose: Our personalities influence our view of life and each other. A mix of personalities creates opportunity for both productivity and frustration. Identify personality profiles and discover their impact on learning and working together to reach and to minister.</i>	1 and 2	Neal Cordle
New/Inexperienced Adult Sunday School Teachers <i>Purpose: Explore foundational principles for effective leadership as an adult Sunday School teacher.</i>	1-2 (cont'd)	Belinda Jolley
Adult Choir Ministry <i>Purpose: Organizing, music selection, and maintaining an Adult Choir</i>	2	Clif Harris
Organizing Men For Missions <i>Purpose: Discover ways not only to get a men's group organized in your church, but how to motivate them toward meaningful missions involvement through hands-on projects and opportunities.</i>	2 and 3	Richard Brunson
Don't Forget Singles! <i>Purpose: Examine important issues related to a viable single adult ministry through Sunday School.</i>	3	Denise Smith
Questions About Adult Sunday School Work? <i>Purpose: Join with others in a lively discussion of issues related to adult Sunday School work. Be ready to ask questions, share ideas, and explore uncharted areas of adult work.</i>	3	Neal Cordle
Effective Teaching: Incorporating Learning Styles and Creative Teaching Methods <i>Purpose: Discover how learning styles impact the choice of teaching methods used with adults in the teaching/learning process.</i>	3 and 4	Belinda Jolley
Having An Effective Women On Mission Organization <i>Purpose: An overview of the Women On Mission organization as well as group options and resources.</i>	3 and 5	Jan Lowe
How Can I Get Adults Interested In Outreach And Ministry? <i>Purpose: Examine motivational issues which encourage adults to be involved in outreach and ministry through adult Sunday School.</i>	4 and 5	Johnnie Laye
Taking Bible Study To Adults: Off-Site Possibilities <i>Purpose: Examine new resources and explore ways to provide Bible study for adults beyond the church walls.</i>	4 and 5	Neal Cordle
The NEW MasterLife: A Plan For Growing In The Faith <i>Purpose: Overview the new MasterLife and share ideas for using these resources in a systematic discipling process for new members and members seeking a deeper walk with Christ.</i>	4 and 5	David Carter

What About Adults Who Are Away? <i>Purpose: Examine the important ministry of staying in touch with adults who are away for a time, i.e. military, job assignments, college, institutionalized, etc.</i>	4 and 5	Denise Smith
Providing A Caregiving Ministry To The Homebound <i>Purpose: Explore opportunities and evaluate resources which can be used to provide ministry to those who are confined and to those who care for them.</i>	5	Belinda Jolley
GENERAL		
Assessing Community Needs <i>Purpose: Explore practical ways to learn about community problems and unmet needs.</i>	1	Joyce Camp
Church Media Library Ministry (Ministry and Organization) <i>Purpose: Conferees will study the concept of Church Media Library Ministry; its basic functions, tasks, and methods to accomplish them, and ideas for structuring a missions statement.</i>	1	Jeanne Tucker
Implementing Church Evangelism <i>Purpose: This how-to seminar describes the role of the laity in local church evangelism. You will examine the purpose and function of a lay-led Evangelism Council and the need for a Director of Evangelism.</i>	1	Ed Bullock
Personal Financial Freedom <i>Purpose: Lays the foundation for understanding why individuals have difficulty with spending, saving, and investing money; looks at issues to confront before one embraces a practical personal plan and offers suggestions on how to develop a personal plan.</i>	1	Ken Batts
Principles And Practices For Effective Evangelism <i>Purpose: Learn how to share the gospel effectively from the pulpit. This seminar includes an evaluation of trends, techniques, and communication styles that affect your preaching ministry.</i>	1	Nelson Searcy
Why Have A Special Education Ministry? <i>Purpose: An awareness of the need for a Special Education Ministry and what it can mean to the person, the family, and the church.</i>	1	Betty Hill
Leading Discipleship In A Church <i>Purpose: Overview of why a church needs a discipleship ministry and the basics of organizing for effectiveness to reach the unchurched and churched.</i>	1 and 2	David Carter
How To Get Angry And Still Be A Good Church Member <i>Purpose: Three chronic problems with congregational health today are apathy, conflict, and inactivity. Common to each of these problems is anger. This conference will help to equip you to deal redemptively with anger in your church.</i>	1 and 2	Fred McGehee
Assimilating New Members Effectively <i>Purpose: Explore the values of and strategies for effectively assimilating newcomers into church and community life.</i>	1, 2 and 3	David Cox
Creating Family Ministry In Your Church <i>Purpose: This workshop will apply a systematic approach to assessing family needs and the creation of ministries to meet these needs.</i>	1 and 3	Steve Sumerel
Getting Sunday Schools Involved In Mission Projects <i>Purpose: Discover ways to involve Sunday School classes in a variety of missions projects. Specific projects will be discussed along with ideas on motivating members to be involved.</i>	2 and 3	Lisa Chilson
Hands-on Mission Projects—How Do We Begin? <i>Purpose: Find out how your church can begin ministries in your community which show love and provide opportunities to witness.</i>	1 and 4	Billie Hutchinson
Positive Use Of Conflict <i>Purpose: Utilizing the Role of Reuegotiation Model to understand how conflict develops.</i>	1 and 5	M. Wayne Oakes

Empowering The Smaller Sunday School For Growth <i>Purpose: Learn the basics of Sunday School growth and develop skills for leading the smaller Sunday School in strategic growth and improvement.</i>	1-2 (cont'd)	Ricky Hughes
Help! I'm A Sunday School Director! What Do I Do Now? <i>Purpose: Period 1: Learn basics of building an effective Bible teaching-reaching ministry in middle-size and larger churches. Period 2: Develop skills in enlisting and training workers and supervising a strong and vibrant Bible teaching-reaching ministry.</i>	1-2 (cont'd)	Max Caldwell
Learning From Jesus' Leadership Styles <i>Purpose: Review the various leadership styles of Jesus and discuss how to apply them in the local church setting. Evaluate your own leadership style.</i>	1-2 (cont'd)	Jack Sisson
Church Media Library Ministry (Personnel) <i>Purpose: Conferees will discuss the qualifications of staff and how to enlist them. Special attention will be given to working with other church leaders.</i>	2	Jeanne Tucker
Ministry Budgets That Work <i>Purpose: Looks at what comprises a meaningful budget; what makes a budget workable for effective ministry; raises questions about popular budget processes which focus on money rather than ministry.</i>	2	Ken Batts
Having An Effective WMU In My Church <i>Purpose: Hear an overview of the WMU program and learn about the leadership needed for WMU. Resources for WMU and missions will also be discussed.</i>	2 and 3	Irma Duke
How Do I Keep Growing Spiritually When I Have To Give So Much? <i>Purpose: Explore ways to maintain a dynamic relationship with the Father even in the midst of giving to others.</i>	2 and 3	Johnnie Laye
Dealing With Stress <i>Purpose: Learn how to deal with the everyday stress we all experience as well as the stress that comes with crisis situations.</i>	2, 3 and 5	Marcia McQueen
Meeting The Challenges Of Substance Abuse <i>Purpose: The Church must become involved on all levels to combat substance abuse. This workshop will examine the problems and possible ministry options.</i>	2 and 4	Steve Sumerel
Pastor Search Committee <i>Purpose: A 10-step process in seeking a new pastor for your congregation.</i>	2 and 4	M. Wayne Oakes
Building A Sunday School Team Through Effective Planning <i>Purpose: Discover principles and practice skills of effective team planning and leadership. Learn the difference between a "bunch" and a "team."</i>	3	Max Caldwell
Church Media Library Ministry (Collection) <i>Purpose: Conferees will write a selection policy and discuss developing and maintaining a well-balanced library collection to fit the needs of their church.</i>	3	Jeanne Tucker
Recruiting, Developing, And Using Volunteers In Ministry <i>Purpose: Mobilize the congregation to be on mission in the community.</i>	3	Joyce Camp
Using Your Church Council For Church Effectiveness <i>Purpose: Learn how to move your church off "status quo plateau" and into coordinated action plans for comprehensive church ministries.</i>	3	Ricky Hughes and Robert Stewart
What's New In Discipleship <i>Purpose: Learn about the new discipleship resources from the Baptist Sunday School Board and have your questions answered.</i>	3	David Carter
Getting A Truce With Time <i>Purpose: This conference will answer the question, "How can I be a better steward of the life God has given me?"</i>	3 and 4	Fred McGehee

Reaching Out To Your Community Through Literacy Missions <i>Purpose: Meeting the needs of at risk children and youth (tutoring children and youth), language needs of internationals (conversational English), and adults with poor reading skills (Adult Reading/Writing) by starting a church-based or associational literacy ministry.</i>	4 and 5	Jo Ellen Stewart
Contemporary Worship <i>Purpose: The creative use of contemporary music, drama, and preaching in modern worship.</i>	3 and 5	Michael Tutterow and Clif Harris
Church Media Library Ministry (Space, Services, Automation, Networking) <i>Purpose: Where? Size? Layout? How to support the educational ministry of the church? Changing technology—Computers? Networking? Conferees will discuss all of these important issues.</i>	4	Jeanne Tucker
Minister Of Education Idea Exchange <i>Purpose: Enjoy a free-wheeling potpourri of ideas for determining priorities, managing time, staff relationships, supervision of volunteers...If you like, bring 35 copies of items to share (bulletins, newsletters, special programs, etc.)</i>	4	Max Caldwell
Principles Of Strategic Congregational Growth And Development <i>Purpose: Learn basics of strategic visioning and long-range planning. Review several available group planning procedures and resources.</i>	4	Jack Sisson
Reaching People Like Never Before <i>Purpose: Learn how to use cell groups, weekday Bible studies, and special events for outreach evangelism. Review basics of church-based outreach.</i>	4	Ricky Hughes
Ready-Fire-Aim: Preparing To Reach Your Community For Christ <i>Purpose: Demographic, sociographic, psychographic, geographic information gathering to know who your community is.</i>	4	Bob Watson and Mike Eller
Handyman Ministries <i>Purpose: Discover ways church members can use their everyday God-given skills in ministry to those in their church and community. This conference will look at how to set up a "handyman" ministry and explain how it can be used as a tool for doing local missions.</i>	4 and 5	Bill Poindexter
Overseas Missions Projects <i>Purpose: Learn specifics about exciting overseas opportunities that North Carolina Baptists can be involved in, including the Ukraine, South Africa, and others. Learn areas of need and how you can become involved.</i>	4 and 5	Richard Brunson
Resources And Strategies For Discovering And Using Spiritual Gifts <i>Purpose: Will introduce strategies and resources for discovering and using spiritual gifts in the life of your congregation.</i>	4 and 5	David Cox
A Leader's Survival Kit <i>Purpose: Explore two dozen techniques for not only surviving, but achieving success in leadership.</i>	5	Jack Sisson
Accomplishing More Through Committees And Task Teams <i>Purpose: Participate in a demonstration of effective task-team planning and deployment. Discuss ways to strengthen committees' empowerment description and job performance.</i>	5	Ricky Hughes and Robert Stewart
Listening That Connects And Heals <i>Purpose: This conference will teach you about listening in order to help church members overcome their injuries and share their joys.</i>	5	Fred McGehee
Providing Adequate And Effective Space And Facilities <i>Purpose: Learn how to determine space and facility needs for growing churches and how to develop a systematic building/facilities upgrade-maintenance plan for new buildings or remodeling.</i>	5	Max Caldwell

SPECIAL EDUCATION

Why Have A Special Education Ministry?

1

Betty Hill

Purpose: An awareness of the need for a Special Education Ministry and what it can mean to the person, the family, and the church.

How To Start A Special Education Class

2

Betty Hill

Purpose: The basis of setting up a Special Education class with suggestions for curriculum resources and lesson plans.

Strengthening Your Special Education Class

3-5 (cont'd)

Betty Hill

Purpose: Practical helps for use of all curriculum materials; handling classroom problems; outreach suggestions; ways to minister to the whole family; reaching a group home with a church based ministry, etc.

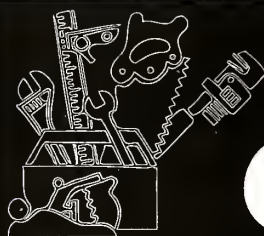
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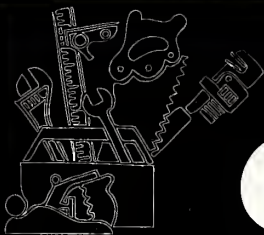


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Registration Information

I. Costs—Program Fee, Room, & 3 Meals

- A. Conference Center & Cowser Lodge
(first 150 registrants)
\$48 per person (double occupancy)
- B. Days Inn—Asheboro (over 150 registrants)
\$48 per person (double occupancy with meals at Caraway)
- C. Commuters—\$15 per person (plus meals)
Breakfast—\$3.25
Lunch—\$5.50
Supper—\$6.00

II. Registration

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CARAWAY (2) CONFERENCE CENTER SEPTEMBER 19-20, 1997

Registration Information

I. Costs—Program Fee, Room, & 3 Meals

- A. Conference Center & Cowser Lodge
(first 150 registrants)
\$48 per person (double occupancy)
- B. Days Inn—Asheboro (over 150 registrants)
\$48 per person (double occupancy with meals at Caraway)
- C. Commuters—\$15 per person (plus meals)
Breakfast—\$3.25
Lunch—\$5.50
Supper—\$6.00

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1997 SUNDAY SCHOOL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCES REGISTRATION FORM

☐ Caraway 1, September 12-13

Indicate Number Attending: Overnight _____

☐ Caraway 2, September 19-20

Commuters _____ = Total _____

Church _____ Church Phone() _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Person Making Reservations _____ Daytime Phone() _____

Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

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Making "The Stuff" Work For You In Sunday School	5	Janice Haywood
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SPECIAL EDUCATION

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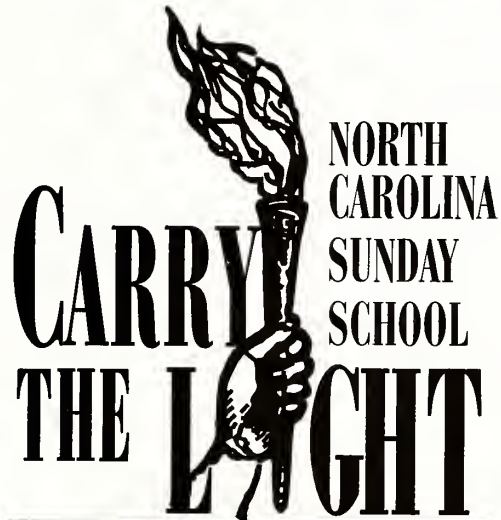
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Can You Read The Bible?

By Robert Stewart, director, Congregational Growth and Development (Church Programs), Baptist Building

Needless to say, an important skill for all Sunday School teachers and members is the ability to read and understand the Bible. According to recent statistics from the US Department of Education, one in five American adults, 20 percent of the total adult population, is functionally illiterate. In North Carolina the 1990 census revealed 557,739 adults, age 18 or older, have completed less than ninth grade. Nearly 30 million adults in the United States have serious problems with literacy. Many of them cannot read the labels in grocery stores, cannot read the morning newspaper, cannot read the printed instructions required in various jobs. Moms and dads cannot read stories to their children. Many adults are locked into unfulfilling and low-paying jobs simply because they cannot read well. Often children who are not read to as preschoolers enter school at a major disadvantage in appreciation and in readiness.

Obviously, functionally illiterate people cannot read and understand the Bible.

Many of these individuals probably do not attend Sunday School for fear of being embarrassed if called on to read the Bible. However, many non-readers are members of our Baptist Sunday

Schools. Teachers should be very careful when calling on someone to read a biblical passage. Avoid going around the room asking everyone to read a verse in turn unless you know with absolute certainty the reading ability of those present. Imagine how you would feel if you were put on the spot and could not read.

Would you ever take the risk of attending that class again? Determine ahead of time who is to read certain biblical passages. Even the best readers would like a chance to practice pronouncing those difficult names.

Literally thousands of people in our communities need help with their reading and writing skills. Sunday School teachers and literacy volunteers should work together at this point. A state literacy missions retreat is being held at Caraway this October. Consider attending this meeting (see related story on p. 5).

Too many youth are dropping out of school because of discouragement. A caring tutor from a Sunday School-based ministry could intervene. Troubled teenagers might have their lives turned in positive directions with the help of a Christian tutor and encourager. You might even teach someone to read the Bible.

EVENTS TO COME

N.C. Southern Baptist Secretaries Conference
Ridgecrest – Nov. 3-5

Religious Education Association
Winston-Salem – Nov. 10

Baptist State Convention
Winston-Salem – Nov. 10-12

N.C. Baptist Music Conference
Caraway – Jan. 12-14, 1998

N.C. Baptist Men's Convention
Raleigh – Jan. 30-31, 1998

N.C. Evangelism Conference
Greensboro – Feb. 2-3, 1998

SPECIAL OFFERINGS

World Hunger – Oct. 12 (Contact: 800-395-5102 or 919-467-5100, ext. 402 or 403)

Baptist Children's Homes
(Thanksgiving) – Nov. 16-23
(Contact: Kathy Fields, 800-476-3669)

Foreign Missions (Lottie Moon Christmas) – Nov. 30-Dec. 7,
(Contact: 800-395-5102 or 919-467-5100, ext. 235)

Baptist Retirement Homes
Feb. 1-8, 1998, (Contact: Emily Reaves, 910-725-0202)

FAMILIES UNDER CONSTRUCTION

*Baptist Children's Homes
Thanksgiving Offering*



See insert between
pages 8 and 9.

Church Secretaries Conference

Ridgecrest—November 3-5

"Serving on His Promises" will be the theme of the 1997 North Carolina Southern Baptist Secretaries Conference, Nov. 3-5, at **Ridgecrest Conference Center**.

The Monday-Wednesday conference is sponsored by the N.C. Southern Baptist Secretaries Association and Congregational Growth and Development Group (Church Programs), Baptist Building.

Cost of the conference (two per room) is \$117.25, which includes room, meals, and conference/membership fee.

Small group sessions scheduled

include: (1) serving without stress, (2) finances and taxes, (3) serving in the associational office, (4) dealing with grief, (5) humor in the workplace, and (6) the joys of womanhood. There will also be three modules for Professional Certification for Ministers' Assistants offered at the conference (additional cost of \$20 per module).

To register contact Ridgecrest at (800) 588-7222. For more information and registration for small group sessions, contact Debbie Gidson (919) 637-4166 or Nancy Kling (910) 815-0440.

Renew Your Worship

October Workshops

Five regional leadership training workshops on renewing worship will be held at First Church, **Greensboro**, Oct. 11; Greenwood Church, **Cary**, Oct. 13; Trinity United Methodist Church, **Asheville**, Oct. 18; Calvary Church, **Charlotte**, Oct. 20; and Winter Park Church, **Wilmington**, Oct. 25.

The informative and inspirational workshops, open to worship leaders and lay people from any denomination, will be led by

Robert Webber, a professor of theology at Wheaton College, Wheaton, IL. Webber, recognized across denominational lines as one of the foremost authorities on worship renewal, has dedicated his life to helping churches understand and fulfill their roles as a worshipping community.

For more information, check the appropriate item on the back page or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 217, dridley@bscnc.org.

1998 Music Festivals Registration

Registration for all 1998 Music Festivals sponsored by Music and Worship, Baptist Building, will be open Jan. 1-31.

Senior Adult choir Festival registration will be open until Sept. 1, 1998.

The 1998 schedule includes the Youth Choir/Instrumental,

Wake Forest University, Feb. 20-21; Adult Handbell, Biltmore Church, **Asheville**; First Church, **Cary**; and First Church, **Gastonia**, all on Feb. 27-28; Youth Handbell, Penelope Church, **Hickory**, and First Church, **High Point**, Mar. 13-14; Adult Ensemble, Caraway Conference Center, **Asheboro**, May

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST SINGERS 1997-98 Schedule

❖
First Church, Greensboro
Oct. 27

❖
**State Convention,
Winston-Salem**
Nov. 9-10

❖
First Church, Shelby
Jan. 26

❖
First Church, Clinton
Mar. 16

❖
**Haywood Community
College, Waynesville**
Apr. 20

❖
First Church, Asheboro
May 18

All concerts include
Men's Chorus, Women's
Chorus, and Brass and Wind
Ensemble, and begin at 7:20
p.m. (except state convention).

29-30; and Senior Adult Choir, Western Avenue Church, **Statesville**, Oct. 5-6.

For more information, check the appropriate item on the back page, or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 217 or dridley@bscnc.org.

Pastors/SS Directors

Regional Dialogues

Training leaders, reaching people, selecting the best materials, and starting new classes are some of the topics that will be discussed at three regional Pastor/Sunday School Director dialogues, Hopewell Church, **Morganton**, Oct. 20; Hillcrest Church, **Kernersville**, Oct. 21; and Calvary Church, **Kinston**, Oct. 23. All sessions will be held from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

The three dialogues will be led by Wayne Poling, Baptist Sunday School Board, and Phil Stone, Baptist Building.

For more information, check the appropriate item on the back page or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 227 or pstone@bscnc.org.

LEADING THE CHURCH SEMINARS (Deacon/Spouse Conferences)

Loren Mead
Caraway
October 10-11

George Hunter
Caswell
October 17-18

Check item on back page for more information or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 209, chammet@bscnc.org.

Soul Winning Commitment Day

Sunday October 5

"Light Your World" will be the theme of the 1997 Soul Winning Commitment Day, Oct. 5, an annual emphasis to encourage Sunday School members to reach out to unchurched members and enroll them in Bible study.

The four October Sundays will feature Family Day (Oct. 5), Neighbor Day (Oct. 12), School/Work Associates Day (Oct. 19), and Friend Day (Oct. 26). Church members are encouraged to invite people in the specific

categories on these Sundays.

A "Light Your World" packet will be mailed to churches from the North American (Home) Mission Board.

The special Sunday emphasis begins a month-long campaign concluding with a high attendance day on Sunday, Oct. 26.

For more information, contact the Baptist Building at ext. 227, pstone@bscnc.org or ext. 450, nsearcy@bscnc.org.

Praying for more laborers in the harvest?

Light
YOUR WORLD!



Observe Soul-Winning Commitment Day

Bible Drills/Speakers' Tournaments

November Training Conferences

Training workshops for the 1998 Children's and Youth Bible Drills and Youth Speakers' Tournament will be held in the Eastern Association Office, **Warsaw**, and Grace Church, **Asheville**, on Monday, Nov. 3 and in the Gaston Association Office, **Gastonia**, and Fellowship Church, **Burlington**, on Tuesday, Nov. 4. All conferences will be held from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

The four workshops will each feature suggestions and helps for

providing Bible drills and speakers' tournaments in your association and churches.

Materials for conducting the 1998 drills and tournaments have been mailed to associations and churches currently participating in these programs.

For more information, or if you would like the materials on Bible drills and tournaments, contact the Baptist Building at ext. 219 or lmccoy@bscnc.org.



Media/Library Workshops

Regional Meetings — Saturday, November 1

Two regional media/library workshops will be held Saturday, Nov. 1 at Baptist Home Church, 2367 Sparta Rd., **N. Wilkesboro**, and West End Church, 1505 W. Main St., **Williamston**. Both meetings will begin at 8:30 a.m. and conclude by 2:45 p.m. Lunch will be served at the church by reservation.

Pat Brown will lead the workshop in N. Wilkesboro and David Tiller will direct the conference in Williamston. Brown and Tiller, both staff members at the Baptist Sunday School Board, will each teach a session on the overall ministry of the church library/media center. A session on classification systems will be held at the N.

Wilkesboro workshop and a conference on creating promotion that communicates will be featured in the Williamston workshop.

Cost of the workshop is only \$5 (for lunch).

Make reservations by Oct. 27 by contacting the Baptist Building at ext. 225, chopkin@bscnc.org or ext. 228, eteague@bscnc.org.



Pat Brown



David Tiller

Church Building Conference

Statesville—October 14

Churches considering any type of new building or renovation programs are encouraged to attend the Fall Church Building Conference, Oct. 14, at First Church, **Statesville**, beginning at 9:00 a.m.

The one-day conference will include sessions on every area of building development and designing—from dream to completion—including discussions on funding and insurance needs.

Cost is only \$12.50 (includes lunch and registration).

For more information, check the appropriate item on the back page or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 211 or mconyer@bscnc.org.

Start Something New In Bible Study

Helps Available

Since starting a new outreach Bible study group, a week-day topical study or a new Sunday School class usually reaches additional people, most churches should consider this fall a good time to "Start Something New!"

Obviously, people don't wander into church off the streets these days. Many people do not choose to come to the "church building" even if invited. Growing churches, Great Commission-minded churches are beginning to take Bible study to wherever people are.

The Bible-Teaching Reaching Team (Sunday School) at the state convention office can provide help in starting something new.

Consultants are available to assist, at no cost to the church, to counsel with and train Sunday School workers how to start something new.

For more information check the appropriate item on the back page or contact Congregational Growth and Development area at ext. 212 or rstewar@bscnc.org or ext. 227 or pstone@bscnc.org.

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(800) 395-5102 (in state)
(919) 467-5100 (local and out of state)
Fax: (919) 469-1674

N.C. Music Conference

Caraway—January 12-14

The annual North Carolina Baptist Music Conference will be held at the Caraway Conference Center, **Asheboro**, on Monday—Wednesday, Jan. 12-14.

The theme for the meeting will be "Perfecting God's Good Work in Me."

Conference leaders will include Robert Dale, Virginia Baptist Mission Board (state convention), Richmond; John Dickson, Southern Seminary, Louisville; and Terry York, Park Cities Church, Dallas. Dale will direct the group in the area of staff relations, Dickson will lead choral sessions, and York will conduct a seminar on spiritual development.

For more information, contact Emily Thompson, Boonville Church, P.O. Box 429, Boonville, NC 27011 or call (910) 367-7491.

Cultural Diversity

1998 Emphasis

Cultural diversity, the acknowledgment and understanding of different culture, ethnic and religious beliefs, will be a major emphasis for WMU in 1998.

The year-long program—to be called "Project Hope: Cultural Diversity"—will attempt to help churches focus on the peoples of North Carolina and the world as seen through God's eyes. WMU is suggesting pulpit and choir exchanges, joint mission projects, associational language celebrations and other specific projects related to the emphasis.

The world is literally coming to North Carolina. At present, more than 120 North Carolina Baptist

churches worship in languages other than English each Sunday morning. Twenty-five years ago, there were only a handful of non-English speaking churches in North Carolina, mostly Hispanic congregations near major cities, universities and military bases. Today, non-English churches are in virtually every county of the state.

North Carolina WMU and the state convention language missions department mailed promotional packets last month (September) to churches. If your church did not receive a packet, check the appropriate item on the back page or contact Linda Hicks at ext. 322 or lhicks@bscnc.org.

Literacy Conference

Caraway — October 17-18

All person who teach or assist with Adult Reading and Writing, Conversational English, or Tutoring Children and Youth are encouraged to attend the State Literacy Missions Conference on Friday and Saturday, Oct. 17-18, at Caraway Conference Center, **Asheboro**, beginning with a banquet at 5:30 p.m. and concluding by 3:30 p.m. the following day.

Conference leaders will include Lillian Isaacs, Tallahassee, Florida; Gayle Leininger, North American (Home) Mission Board, Lawrenceville, Georgia; Renva Acree, Blairsville, Georgia; Glenda Reece, Raleigh, North Carolina; Mary Jo Plemmons, Winston Salem, North Carolina; and Mac and Betty McElrath, Raleigh, North Carolina.

Seminar topics will include integrating Bible materials into lesson plans, changing needs in citizenship training, motivating students, and games to create dialogue in Conversational English sessions.

Cost is \$42.75 for the conference. Check item on back page or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 435, or npeyton@bscnc.org.

'New' Ministers Wives' Retreat

Mundo Vista — October 17-18

All new ministers' wives and ministers' wives who are new to North Carolina since June, 1996 are invited to attend a two-day retreat at **Camp Mundo Vista** on Oct. 17-18.

The Friday-Saturday retreat will include personal and group worship, fellowship, and information about the services available in North

Carolina to ministers' families.

Cost for the weekend is only \$10 per person (10 women per cabin, food, and fees).

For more information, check the appropriate item on the back page or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 236 or ccroom@bscnc.org.

Mundo Vista Calendar

October – April

The following special events will be held at Camp Mundo Vista, the WMU camp and conference facilities located across the main road from Camp Caraway and Conference Center, Asheboro.

- Senior Adult Afternoon Tours – Oct. 14-16
- Senior Adult Retreats – Oct. 21 and 23

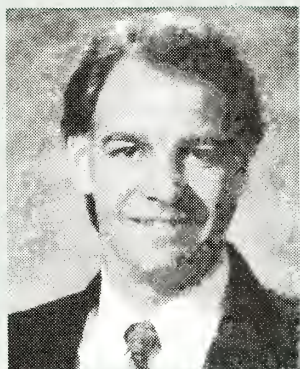
- Prayer Retreat – Oct. 30-31
- Project Help: Cultural Diversity – Nov. 7-8
- Family Spiritual Retreat – Nov. 21-22
- Singles New Year Retreat – Dec. 31-Jan. 1
- Adults on Mission – Jan. 30-31
- Brazilian Volunteers Reunion – Feb. 6-7

- Church Staff Kids Retreat – Feb. 13-14
- Children in Action Day – Apr. 13
- GA Day – Apr. 14
- Youth on Mission Day – Apr. 16

For more information about any of these events or to schedule your church group events, contact Mary Ashe at (800) 504-8973.

FALL YOUTH EVANGELISM

Caswell
November 14-16



Jerry Pipes, speaker
Music & Drama

Check item on back page
or contact the Baptist
Building at ext. 453 or
nsearcy@bscnc.org.

YOUTH EVANGELISM SEMINAR

Mount Zion Church,
Hudson — October 9

Reaching Unchurched
Youth

For more information,
check the appropriate
item on the back page or
contact the Baptist
Building at ext. 453 or
nsearcy@bscnc.org.

EVANGELS, WITNESS Teams

1998 Applications Available

Applications for the two Baptist State Convention youth evangelism teams, EVANGELS and WITNESS, are available to churches and associations for the June-August, 1998 season.

EVANGELS is a ministry team designed to spend two to three days in one church leading worship, drama, witness training seminars, Bible studies, and recreation.

WITNESS is a ministry and musical team which conducts contemporary Christian concerts across North Carolina each summer, including a special concert at the annual SuperSummer youth event at Carowinds.

For more information, check the item on the back page or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 453 or 447 or nsearcy@bscnc.org.

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST EVANGELISTS Caraway Conference Center January 8-9

For NC vocational and bi-vocational evangelists
Jack Stanton, speaker

Check item on back page or contact the Baptist Building
at ext. 450 or nsearcy@bscnc.org.

Association Youth Rallies

Cabarrus & Mitchell

"Time to Tell" Youth Evangelism Rallies will be held Oct. 18 in the Cabarrus Association and Nov. 7-8 in the Mitchell Association.

Both rallies, sponsored by the state convention youth evangelism section, are designed to offer Christian youth opportunities to invite their unchurched friends to a time of music, challenge and inspiration.

For more information check the appropriate item on the back page or contact Nelson Searcy at ext. 450 or nsearcy@bscnc.org.

1998 STATE EVANGELISM CONFERENCE



February 2-3



War Memorial
Auditorium



Greensboro

Continuing Ed. Retreat

N. Myrtle Beach, SC

The annual Youth Ministers' Continuing Education Retreat will be held at Beach Cove Resort, N. Myrtle Beach, SC, on Feb. 23-26.

Retreat leaders will include Wade Rowatt, director of St. Matthew's Pastoral Counseling Center in Louisville and former professor at Southern Seminary. The author of *Today's Youth, Pastoral Care with Adolescents In Crisis*, and *Why Is This Happening To Me?*, he will lead retreat sessions in counseling skills development and how to minister effectively to youth and their families in crises situations.

Merton Strommen, founder of Search Institute and author of *Five Cries of Youth* and *Five Cries of Parents*, will discuss the "30 Developmental Assets Kids Need to Succeed," a program Search developed on ways youth ministers, churches, schools and communities can help young people and their parents.

Don Flowers, pastor, Providence Church, Mt. Pleasant, SC, will lead the worship services throughout the four day meeting. Flowers, former youth minister at First Church, Lenoir, and First Church, Greenville, SC, is currently writing his dissertation on "Helping Parents Understand Their Own Sexual Ethnicities and How to Communicate Them to Their Children."

Cost of the retreat is \$199. A brochure with a registration form will be mailed to youth ministers in October. For more information, check the appropriate item on the back page or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 311 or hmelton@bscnc.org.

'Curtain Call' Creative Ministries Festival

October 10-12

The 1997 "Curtain Call" NC Creative Ministries Festival will be held at Snyder Memorial Church, Fayetteville, Oct. 10-12, and will feature 60+ sessions on drama, puppetry, clowning, sign language, interpretive movement, storytelling, and more.

Program leaders will include Doug Berky, Gloria and Kent Fox, Rose Crane, Owen Robertson, Bonnie Lancaster Johnson, Jeff Smith, Pinky Productions and others.

Cost is \$40, which includes a banquet, ice cream fellowship, and conference fee. Lodging is not included.

For more information, check the appropriate item on the back



Doug Berky



Gloria & Kent Fox



Owen Robertson



Pinky

page or call (800) 395-5102 or (919) 467-5100, ext. 311 or hmelton@bscnc.org.

Youth Ministry Council

Ridgecrest Planning Retreat

Members of local church youth ministry councils are encouraged to attend a two-day retreat at Ridgecrest Conference Center, Sept. 27-28, which will feature both large and small group sessions and a creative worship service on Sunday.

The weekend retreat will enable each church to evaluate its youth program, set purposeful priorities and goals, and establish a youth ministry calendar/budget for the coming year.

Cost is \$40 per person (four to a room lodging, meals and fees).

For more information, check the appropriate item on the back page or call (800) 395-5102 or (919) 467-5100, ext. 311 or hmelton@bscnc.org.

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May 15-17, 1998



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with youth in grades 7-12



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BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES OF NORTH CAROLINA

helping hurting children... healing broken families

Jason Lands on His Feet After Night Terror

At the sound of a car in his grandmother's carport, Jason looked out the window, and was shocked to see his mother striding toward the house.

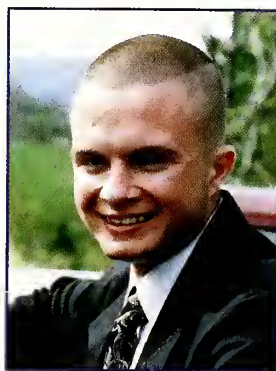
She was angry, and Jason shouted, "Lordy, it's momma," as he ran to the back bedroom to call the police.

Just 12 years old, Jason had lived in seven foster care homes and with his grandmother on and off since his father died seven years earlier. His mother's addictions cost her custody of her only son. For whatever reason, tonight she wanted him back.

Out of control, Jason's mother broke open the door and kicked grandmother to the floor. She grabbed her by the hair and "slung me around by the hair of my head," grandmother says, remembering.

Mother shouted for Jason to come out of hiding, and threatened to kill his grandmother. She grabbed a bottle, broke it, and held the jagged edge to grandma's throat, shouting that she would kill her if Jason didn't come out of hiding.

Just then Jason's aunt arrived from a house next door,



Jason enrolled at The Citadel.

and held his mother's arms until the police arrived.

Six years later, grandmother beams with pride for Jason, who overcame that tragic, traumatic start in life. Jason garnered academic, athletic and leadership honors in a steady stream at Tuscola High School in Haywood County and started college in August 1997 as a freshman at The Citadel.

At Tuscola, he was captain and MVP of the track and cross country teams and a conference champion, vice president for his senior class, Cadet Colonel and ROTC commander in a group of 115 cadets, in National Honor Society, in the top 10 percent of

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When Samantha Accepts Jesus

It's a Whole New World

Accepting the "light of the world," helped Samantha see the world in a different light.

"The night I asked Jesus into my heart I felt as close to God as I'll ever feel until I go to heaven," said Samantha, a petite, articulate 16-year-old who is righting her life at Broyhill Home in Clyde, one of 12 facilities operated by BCH.

Samantha's early years were in a family where alcohol and abuse were mutual friends. The twin evils led to her parents' divorce when she was 4, and Samantha lived with her mom.

Relationships were strained with her new stepdad and when she was old enough, she moved to another state to live with her dad. But he traveled, and Samantha and a sister were often alone.

Several months later, Samantha returned to her mother, who had become a Christian and "was trying to change her life and do what was best for us girls," Samantha says.

But things did not go smoothly still. Broyhill Home offered a place for Samantha while she and her family work out the issues that separate them.

One night she started talking with Child Care Worker Jim Johnson about wanting to be baptized. Johnson asked if she was sure she was a Christian.

He led her through Bible passages that helped her understand how to secure salvation. "That night I asked Jesus into my heart," Samantha says.

Now she looks at the trauma of her early life with an exceptionally mature understanding. "When you become a Christian you see the whole world in a different perspective," she says. "It seemed the whole world was against me. There was no way out but drugs and running away. Now I have God to turn to."

The spiritual change in both her and her mother has helped them establish the closest thing to a mother/daughter relationship they've ever enjoyed. "We still have a way to go, but we have improved,"

Samantha says. "I've been able to forgive her - and she, me."

Samantha, 16, wants to work with people who are hurting. "I've seen people hurting," she says. "I've hurt. I know how the people who witnessed to me have helped me, and I want to help others."

Then she admits, her real dream is eventually to work at Broyhill to help hurting children, and heal broken families.

"I know my boundaries here. I have people here to lift me up if I fall down, people to tell me God forgives me."

-Samantha, 16



Samantha feels living at Broyhill Home is a wonderful blessing. She found faith and friends there, and wants to return to help.

But He Gains Control at Kennedy Home

Divorce, Death Anger Shamel

Start with anger, add poor attitude and some disrespect, and you have a recipe for teenage disaster. But today, after a year in Family Clarification at Kennedy Home, Shamel, 14, gained control of his life, attitude and problems.

Shamel's parents divorced when he was in third grade. He became angry and his anger boiled over when he entered junior high and his grandmother died.

"I talked to my grandma a lot," said Shamel. "She stayed across the road and I used to see her often and I called her every day. We would just sit and talk. I was really mad when she died because they didn't want to tell me."

That year as a seventh grader, Shamel's behavior worsened. He was disrespectful to teachers, disobeyed his mom, was easily angered and ran around at night past curfew with his friends.

He was placed in a special behavior class at school until he became so out of control, he was sent to Kennedy Home.



Shamel is gaining control

"It's good I came here," said Shamel. "I've passed my grade and worked on my problems."

He also listens to and respects his mother.

"She's there for me

when I need her," said Shamel. "She was there before, I just didn't want to listen to her. Now I know she is telling me the right things."

"Shamel is a real positive leader for the other boys," said Don Wolford, Shamel's social worker. "The biggest changes we have seen in Shamel is his relationship with his mother. Before, if he didn't get his way or disagreed, he'd become manipulative. Now he is much more accepting of his mom's decisions and he thinks through situations."



Baptist Children's Homes -

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Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina provides residential and in-home services to children and families in the midst of family breakdown or who need to strengthen relationships.

Often children have been abused or neglected by parents or guardians. Sometimes young people come into emergency care for their own protection or as a refuge when crisis strikes.

Services vary from residential

care, to day care, maternity home, therapeutic camping, behavioral change, teen mothers with their babies and emergency care.

Few residents are "orphans" with no living parent, but are "orphans of living parents." They are "orphaned" when parents no longer want them, or raise them in a way that forces them to adopt unacceptable behaviors.

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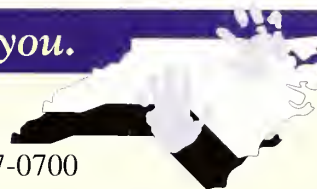
◆ PO Box 338 ◆ Thomasville 27361 ◆ (910) 474-1200

Kinston Area

◆ 2557 Cedar Dell Road ◆ Kinston 28504 ◆ (919) 522-0811

Pembroke Area

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Emergency Care

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For teenage mothers and their babies. Lenoir.

Therapeutic Camping

Fifty boys sort out life in the wilderness, living year round in shelters they build themselves. Moore County.

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Girls who cannot solve conflict without confrontation learn to live with rules. Franklin, Lenoir.

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Please help ensure your church doesn't miss this opportunity to give hope, and build families.

Call C.F. McDowell to secure your Thanksgiving Offering speaker: (800) 476-3669

After Early Strikes, She's Still at the Plate

Jeneva Learns at Mills Home Life Can Be Good

Jeneva moves around the crafts room with a confidence and efficiency that implies training, although she had none before she came to Mills Home, just eight months earlier.

She rose quickly to the coveted helper's position. Many young people who love the arts and crafts led by Loretta Martin would like that role. They love to be around the creative tools and supplies that help them express themselves, and to make gifts for their family and friends.

Jeneva moves among the residents who spend their allotted hour in the crafts room, below the gymnasium at Mills Home in Thomasville. She is quiet, but not so quiet that you would guess her difficult circumstances.

Now 14, Jeneva lived with her grandmother her first four years, then with her biological mother.

Behavioral issues in the family prompted Jeneva to be removed by social services. Then, at age 8, she was adopted. When her adoptive parents exhibited unhealthy behaviors, Jeneva endured a series of hospitalizations and placements.

Now, her adoptive parents are trying to annul the adoption. And Jeneva is again, in limbo.

When she came to Mills Home, she was scared. But she quickly calmed and "found it easy to get along with people here," she said. "I have friends from on and off campus, and I get to invite campus friends over and we spend time together."

"I'm not as aggravated and scared as I was before I came here," Jeneva says. "I'm actually getting to where I can trust



Jeneva is blossoming at Mills Home.

people. And I'm making more friends a whole lot easier."

Jeneva attributes this progress to her staff, who "sit down and talk with me and help me with problems."

"If they have a problem with me...they don't hit me or anything," she said, matter-of-factly.

Jeneva likes math, reading and art, and auditioned for chorus, something she wouldn't have considered earlier.

"Being here there's actually a chance I might bring out things I never would have done before," she said. "I actually sang in front of the teacher...and she said it was good."

Family, BCH Team for Safety

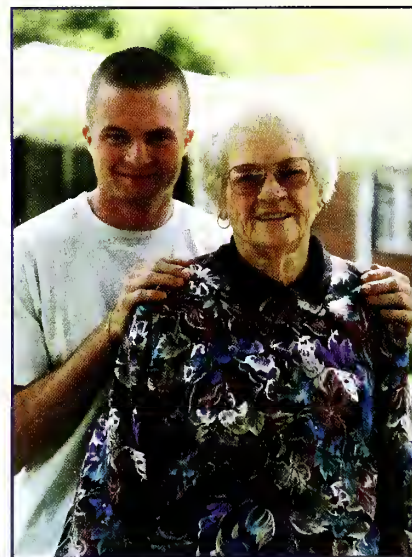
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his class, attended leadership events at Western Carolina University and Washington, D.C., and was a peer helper and counselor.

"All the accomplishments of my life have been made possible by Baptist Children's Homes," Jason said at his final awards banquet at Broyhill Home, where he received top honors for the second year.

"Broyhill has made me into a young man with a future, who knows now where he is going and what he wants to do. They've opened the doors to enable me to do that."

As for grandmother, who was desperate to find a place for Jason after the incident in her house, she prays "every night and I thank God every night that we have a place like Broyhill Home and Baptist Children's Homes."



Jason and his grandmother, Edna

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- **Provide** supplies of all kinds.
- **Pay** attention to the priority needs list on each campus.
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Convention To Elect New Executive Director, Other Officers

The election of a new executive director-treasurer and president will highlight the annual meeting of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, Monday–Wednesday, Nov. 10–12, Lawrence Joel Veterans Memorial Coliseum, Winston-Salem.

The convention will follow the traditional schedule, with the opening session beginning around 6:30 p.m. on Monday, three sessions on Tuesday and closing session set to end around 11:00 a.m. Wednesday.

Election for a new executive director, to succeed Roy Smith who will retire at the end of this year, is scheduled for 8 p.m. on Tuesday. A nominee for this position will be made by the General Board for election by the full convention. Other nominees may be made from the floor. The executive director, who serves as the chief administrative officer for the convention, is an officer of the convention, although he may serve in that position until his retirement rather than only two, one-year terms as is true for the convention president and two vice-presidents.

A new president will also be elected at this year's meeting, set for Tuesday morning around 10:20. Current convention president, Greg Mathes, pastor from Hendersonville, is

Board report on Tuesday. Meredith is seeking a new relationship with the state convention similar to the fraternal relationship established with Wake Forest University in November 1986. The new

Meredith relationship would allow the college to elect all of their own trustees without convention approval. The new

relationship would also remove Meredith from the convention budget, although churches would be allowed to designate money to the college.

The change of status for Meredith College requires a two-thirds affirmative vote in order to amend the state convention's constitution.

Other convention highlights will include reports from the Baptist Retirement Homes, Convention Business Management Division, Wingate University and Gardner-Webb University.

The convention budget for the coming year will be presented during the General Board report on Wednesday morning

ineligible for re-election, having served two, one-year terms. The vice-president elections are scheduled for Tuesday afternoon.

The convention will consider a change in status with Meredith College to be presented during the General



1997 Convention Program

Monday Evening, November 10

- 6:30 Pre-session Music
- 6:45 Convene 167th Annual Baptist State Convention of North Carolina
- Hymn
- Scripture and Prayer
- 7:00 Welcome — Mayor of Winston-Salem
- Committee reports
- Enrollment Committee
- Program/Place and Preacher Committee
- Local Arrangements Committee
- 7:15 Recognitions
- Visitors and first-time messengers
- Presidents of institutions and agencies
- Trustees
- SBC representatives
- New pastors, church staff and retired staff persons
- Former Convention presidents
- Other guests
- 7:30 Special Music
- North Carolina Baptist Singers
- Soloist
- President's Address
- 8:15 Retirement Celebration
- 9:00 Closing Prayer

Tuesday Morning, November 11

- 8:30 Pre-Session Music
- 8:35 Hymn
- Scripture and Prayer
- 8:45 General Board Report
- 9:45 Theme Interpretation
- 9:55 Hymn
- 10:00 Special Report — Baptist Retirement Homes of North Carolina, Inc.
- 10:20 *Election of President
- 10:40 Committee Reports
- Committee on Nominations
- Committee on Committees
- Resolutions Committee
- 10:55 Hymn
- 11:00 Miscellaneous Business
- 11:15 Special Music
- 11:30 Scripture Reading
- Convention Sermon
- 12:00 Closing Prayer

Tuesday Afternoon, November 11

- 1:50 Pre-Session Music
- 2:00 Hymn
- Scripture and Prayer
- 2:10 Special Report — Council on Christian Higher Education: Wingate University
- 2:30 General Board Report
- 3:20 Hymn

- 3:25 Special Report — Business Management
- 3:45 *Elections: First Vice President, Second Vice President, Recording Secretary and Assistant Recording Secretary
- 4:05 Miscellaneous Business
- 4:20 Closing Prayer

Tuesday Evening, November 11

- 7:00 Music — North Carolina Baptist Brass and Singers
- 7:15 Hymn
- Scripture and Prayer
- 7:25 Special Report — Council on Christian Higher Education: Gardner-Webb University
- 7:45 Theme Interpretation
- 7:55 Hymn and Call to Prayer
- 8:05 Election of Executive Director-Treasurer
- Presentation of new Executive Director-Treasurer
- 9:00 Closing Prayer

Wednesday Morning, November 12

- 8:30 Pre-Session Music
- 8:50 Theme Interpretation
- 9:00 Historical Committee Report
- 9:10 Memorials Committee Report
- 9:25 *General Board Report (1998 Budget)
- 10:25 Hymn
- 10:30 Miscellaneous Business
- 10:40 Committee Reports
- 10:55 Presentation of New Officers
- 11:00 Closing Prayer and Adjourn

*Fixed Orders of the Day

CONVENTION MESSAGES

(President's Address & Convention Sermon)

Audio Cassette copies of these three convention messages will be available by mail from Communication Services, Baptist State Convention. Look for an order card in your messenger/visitor packet at the annual session meeting. Tapes (one message per tape), are \$3.00 ea. plus shipping & handling. **Payment should be mailed with tape order to:**
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110 Miller Street
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2. Comfort Inn/Coliseum
531 Akron Drive
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MEETING FACILITIES

(All in Winston-Salem)

- A** **Lawrence Joel Veterans Memorial Coliseum**
(Site for Annual Session)
2825 University Parkway
(910) 725-5635
- B** **Ardmore Church**
501 Miller Street
(910) 725-8767
- C** **Calvary Church**
5000 Country Club Road
(910) 765-5542
- D** **College Park Church**
1701 Polo Road
(910) 768-5870
- E** **First Church, Winston-Salem**
501 W. Fifth Street
(910) 722-2558
- F** **Knollwood Church**
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- G** **Pilot Mountain Associational Resource Center**
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1997 MEETINGS IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ANNUAL BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION

PASTORS' CONFERENCE

Date: November 9-10 (Sunday and Monday)
Time: Sunday evening session begins at 6:30 p.m.
 Monday session begins at 9:00 a.m. and concludes at 4:30 p.m.
Place: Calvary Church, 5000 Country Club Road, Winston-Salem
Contact person: Allen Blume (704) 264-5907

NC BAPTIST RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ASSOC.

Date: November 10
Time: 12 noon.
 Speaker: Dr. Wayne Sotile on Stress Management
Place: Ardmore Church
 501 Miller Street, Winston-Salem
Contact person: Jim Fowler, (910) 725-8767 ext. 14

NC BAPTIST MINISTERS' WIVES

Date: November 10
Time: 2:00 p.m.
 Speaker (Chonda Pierce, Nashville, Tenn.)
Place: Calvary Church, (L A Angel Room)
 5000 Country Club Road, Winston-Salem
Contact person: Penny Church (910) 576-7621

NC YOUTH MINISTERS' ASSOCIATION

Date: November 10
Time: 4:00 p.m. fellowship; 4:30 p.m. meeting
 5:30 p.m. dinner
Place: College Park Church, 1701 Polo Road
 Winston-Salem
Contact person: Ramon Smith, (910) 768-5870

1997 MEETINGS IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ANNUAL BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION

NC FOREIGN MISSIONARY FELLOWSHIP

Date: November 10
Time: 4:00 p.m. registration, fellowship dinner
Place: First Church
501 W. Fifth Street, Winston-Salem
Contact person: Ray W. Benfield, (910) 765-5635

NC BAPTIST WOMEN IN MINISTRY

Date: November 10
Time: 1:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m.
Worship and Fellowship
Stories of Hope
Place: Contact: Becky Albritton
Contact person: Becky Albritton (919) 876-1519

BAPTIST SEMINARY AT RICHMOND

Date: November 11
Time: 12:00 noon (lunch)
Place: Ramada Inn (formerly Holiday Inn North)
3050 University Parkway, Winston-Salem
Contact person: Beth McMahon, (804) 3556-8135

CAMPBELL UNIVERSITY

Date: November 11
Time: 12 noon (Luncheon)
Place: Holiday Inn Select,
5790 University Parkway, Winston-Salem
Contact person: Kathy Crenshaw, (800) 334-4111,
ext. 1237

CHOWAN COLLEGE

Date: November 10
Time: 5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.
Place: Lawrence Joel Veterans Memorial Coliseum
Assembly Room, 2825 University Parkway,
Winston-Salem
Contact Person: Vint Tilson, (919) 398-1232

GARDNER-WEBB UNIVERSITY

Date: November 11
Time: 12:15 p.m. (Luncheon)
Place: Lawrence Joel Veterans Memorial Coliseum
Assembly Room, 2825 University Parkway
Winston-Salem
Contact Person: Mickey Sharpe, (704) 434-4255

MARS HILL COLLEGE

Date: November 10
Time: 5:00 p.m.
Place: Ramada Inn (formerly Holiday Inn North)
3050 University Parkway, Winston-Salem
Contact Person: Helen Dowling, (704) 689-1102

MEREDITH COLLEGE

Date: November 11
Time: 5:30 p.m. (Dinner for Alumnae & Guests)
Place: Lawrence Joel Veterans Memorial Coliseum
2825 University Parkway, Winston-Salem
Contact person: Mary Kate Keith, (919) 829-8548

WAKE FOREST UNIVERSITY

Date: November 10
Time: 5:15 p.m. — (Dinner by reservation)
Tickets \$10 each
Place: Knollwood Church Fellowship Hall
330 Knollwood Street, Winston-Salem
Contact person: Lynn H. Parker, (800) 393-4244

WINGATE UNIVERSITY

Date: November 11
Time: 7:30 a.m. (Breakfast)
Place: Lawrence Joel Veterans Memorial Coliseum
Assembly Room, 2825 University Parkway,
Winston-Salem
Contact persons: Julie McSwain, (704) 233-8114

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Date: November 12
Time: 7:00 a.m.-8:30 a.m.
Place: Holiday Inn Select
5790 University Parkway, Winston-Salem
Contact person: Talmage Williams, Baptist State
Convention, (800) 395-5102, ext. 172
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Date: November 12
Time: 7:00 a.m. (Breakfast)
Cost: \$10 per person (reservations needed)
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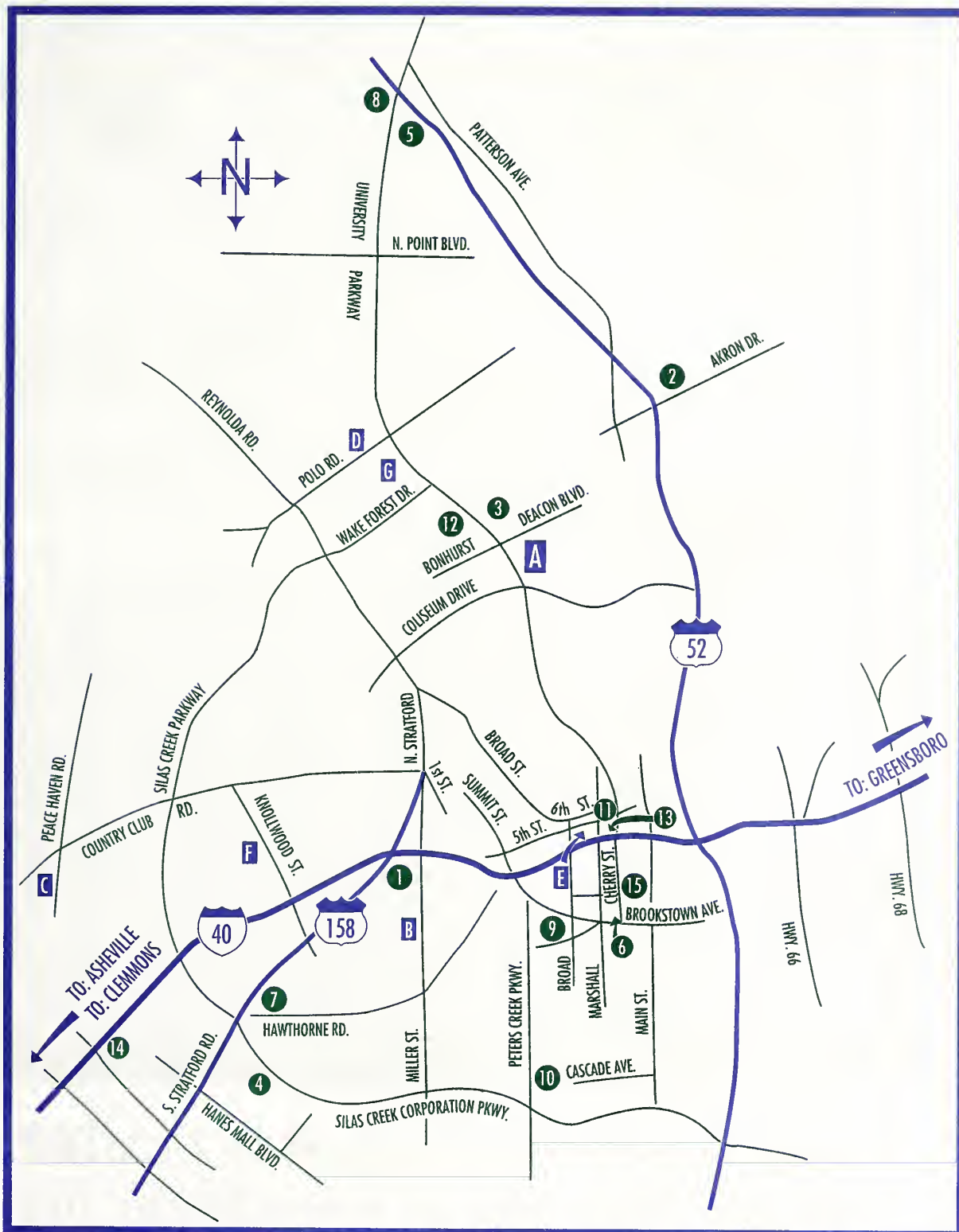
LEISURE MINISTRY

Date: November 11
Time: 7:15 a.m.
Place: Pilot Mountain Association Resource Center
1105 Long Drive, Winston-Salem
Contact Person: Cecilia Davis, (800) 395-5102, ext. 443

SOUTHEASTERN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

Contact Person: George Harvey, (919) 556-3101, ext. 201

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Council on Christian Life and Public Affairs

Three members-at-large

Colleges

Campbell University–12 trustees; Chowan College–9 trustees; Gardner-Webb University–9 trustees; Mars Hill College–9 trustees; Wingate University–9 trustees.

Social Service Institutions

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Agencies

Baptist Foundation–5 directors;
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(If you wish to make a recommendation, please mail this entire page back to the Committee on Nominations.)

Recommendations may be sent to Committee on Nominations, PO Box 1107, Cary, NC 27512–1107. Deadline: **Jan. 30, 1998.** (PLEASE PRINT, form may be photocopied.)

1. Believing that the following person is committed to Jesus Christ, is a person of integrity, is active in the church and has proven leadership ability, I recommend _____

2. Address _____

3. Telephone numbers: () _____ (Bus.) () _____ (Res.)

4. Approximate age _____ Man _____ Woman _____

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☐ Baptist Children's Homes

☐ N.C. Baptist Retirement Homes

☐ N.C. Baptist Hospital

☐ General Board

☐ Christian Life Council

☐ Campbell University

☐ Chowan College

☐ Gardner-Webb University

☐ Mars Hill College

☐ Wingate University

6. Region/Association in which church is located _____

7. Nominee's church _____ Resident membership _____

Church address _____

Church telephone number () _____

List past and present positions held in the local church: _____

Give statement as to the past and present support of this person to this church and to North Carolina Baptists: _____

Denominational service (past and present): _____

8. Is person an ordained minister? _____

If a minister, list previous ministries: _____

9. If a layperson, occupation: _____

Brief resume of business or professional experience: _____

Please attach a separate sheet for additional information you feel would be helpful to this Committee.

Please understand that this recommendation DOES NOT assure that the person you are recommending will be nominated by the Committee on Nominations and/or elected by the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina; however, your recommendation will be given serious consideration. "The consent of a nominee to serve shall be secured by the Committee on Nominations." Bylaw II,E,4,a.

Signed: _____
(name of person making recommendation)

(mailing address)

Telephone no. () _____

Church _____

Region/Association _____

Date: _____

Deadline: January 30, 1998

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Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone: Office _____ Home _____

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State Evangelism Conference February 2-3 at War Memorial Auditorium in Greensboro

'Early Bird' Seminars Begin at 10:00 Monday Morning

"Go Make Disciples — Share Christ's Love" will be the theme of the 51st annual State Evangelism Conference, War Memorial Auditorium, **Greensboro**, Feb. 2-3, beginning Monday at 1:30 p.m. and concluding with the evening session on Tuesday.

The annual meeting will be preceded by five "early bird" seminars to be held on Monday morning, Feb. 2 at Immanuel Church on High Point Rd., across from the War Memorial Auditorium/Greensboro Coliseum complex.

The five "early bird" seminars will include "Breathing New Life Into a Declining Church," by Steve Scoggins, pastor, First Church, Hendersonville; "Praying Your Friends to Christ," by Richard Leach, SBC North American Mission Board; "Identifying and Enrolling Lost and Unchurched People in Bible Study," by Robert Stewart, Baptist State Convention; "Reaching Hispanics in North Carolina" (seminar in Spanish), by Richard Vera, pastor, Emmanuel at Riverside Church, Denver, Colo.; and "Share Jesus Without Fear," by Bill Fay, Englewood, Colo. (see separate story on page 6).

Conference preachers, set for Monday afternoon and evening, will include Bobby Welch, pastor, First Church, Daytona Beach, Fla.;

Richard Vera, pastor, Emmanuel at Riverside Church, Denver, Colo.; Ralph Douglas West, pastor, Brookhollow Church, Houston, Texas; John Ed Mathison, pastor, Frazier Memorial United Methodist Church, Montgomery, Ala.; and John Sullivan, executive director, Florida Baptist Convention, Jacksonville.

Tuesday conference preachers will be Raymond Whitfield, vocational evangelist, Nebo; John Ed Mathison; Charles Page, pastor, First Church, Charlotte; Phil Roberts, SBC North American Mission Board; and John Sullivan.

Praise and worship leader will be Dick Baker, well-known musician from McKinney, Texas. Conference organist will be Pat Long, organist, Providence Church, Charlotte and pianist will be Mark Stamper, minister of music, First Church, Mount Holly.

Pre-session concerts and worship through music sessions will be performed by Becki Smith, soloist, Acworth, Ga.; Vernard Johnson, saxophonist, Fort Worth, Texas; a mass choir from area churches; Scott Stevenson, music evangelist, Statesville; and the Melody Masters, Bessemer City.

Sermons will be available on audio cassettes for \$3 per message (one message per cassette).

EVENTS TO COME

NC Baptist Music Conference

Caraway — Jan. 12-14

NC Baptist Men's Convention

Raleigh — Jan. 30-31

NC Evangelism Conference

Greensboro — Feb. 2-3

NC WMU Conference

Ridgecrest — March 27-29

Southern Baptist Convention

Salt Lake City, Utah — June 9-11

Cooperative Baptist Fellowship

Houston, Texas — June 25-27

SPECIAL OFFERINGS

Baptist Retirement Homes

Feb. 1-8, 1998, (Contact: Emily Reaves, 910-725-0202)

North American Missions (Annie Armstrong) — March 1-8, (Contact: 800-395-5102 or 919-467-5100, ext. 235)

Baptist Hospital (Mother's Day) — May 3-10, (Contact: James Murphy, 910-716-3027)

NC Missions (State Missions) — Sept. 12-19, (Contact: 800-395-5102 or 919-467-5100, ext. 437)

World Hunger — Oct. 11, (Contact: 800-395-5102 or 919-467-5100, ext. 402 or 403)

NC Offering for Older Adults

**Week of Prayer:
February 1-8, 1998**

Goal: \$450,000

NCPR Campaign

Church Growth

The North Carolina People Reaching (NCPR) Growth Consultations is a plan sponsored by the state Bible Teaching-Reaching Team (Sunday School Department) to encourage local congregations to build strong, growing churches. NCPR consultants have been trained to facilitate associations and local Church Growth Consultations.

"When Jesus asked his disciples that defining question, 'Who do you say that I am?' Peter's answer, 'Thou are the Christ' elicited a strong response from Jesus: 'upon this rock (solid faith) I will build my church'," states Phil Stone, state director of the NCPR campaign emphasis.

Christ began the church and promised that He would bring about the growth. Church growth is not something we accomplish for God, but it is a divine activity in which He invites and gifts His children to join Him.

Growth is the result of supernatural empowering. When the people of God fall deeply in love with Him, He empowers them to participate as He grows His church. Growth is a byproduct of a congregation with a new heart in right relationship with Jesus, the Lord of the church.

For more information, check the appropriate item on the back page or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 227 or pstone@bscnc.org.

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'Getting To Know God'

Youth Leaders' Conference

A two-day conference to train youth leaders in the administration and use of a variety of discipleship resources will be held at the Family Resource Center on the Baptist Children's Home campus in **Thomasville** on Feb. 6 from 7-9:30 p.m. and Feb. 7 from 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Following the theme, "Getting to Know God," the meeting will lead youth workers to gain a greater understanding of the personal nature of God and their relationship

to Him. The materials will include "In God's Presence," "Life in the Spirit," "When God Speaks," "Mind of Christ," and "Heaven Your Real Home."

Cost of the meeting is \$83 (double room), \$97 (single room), \$61 (commuter).

For more information, check the appropriate item on the back page or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 219 or lmccoy@bscnc.org.

STATE MEDIA LIBRARY WORKSHOP NC Baptist Assembly (Caswell) May 15-17 (Friday-Sunday)

Training for all library staff

For more information, check the appropriate item on the back page or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 225 or 228. You can also E-mail chopkin@bscnc.org or eteague@bscnc.org.

Bible Drills/Speakers' Tournament

1998 Spring Schedule

Youth Bible Drills and Speakers' Tournaments will be held at Trinity Church, **Raleigh**, and First Church, **Valdese**, on Friday, Apr. 17, and at First Church, **Asheboro**; Bethel Church, **Canton**; and Village Church, **Fayetteville**, on Apr. 24.

Children's Bible Drills are scheduled for First Church, **Franklin**; **Kenansville** (NC) Church; Trinity Church, **Raleigh**; First Church, **Spindale**; and First Church, **Valdese** on Saturday, Apr. 18 and at First Church, **Asheboro**; Bethel Church, **Canton**; First

Church, **Charlotte**; Village Church, **Fayetteville**; and Baptist Home Church, **North Wilkesboro**, on Saturday, Apr. 25.

Information and other materials for conducting church and associational

Bible Drill and Speakers' Tournaments

are mailed each year by Jan. 20.

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'Small Membership' Music Schools

Under 300-Member Churches

"I feel that our choir grows each time we have a music school," writes LeAnda L. Barnard of Grace Church, Statesville. "We really appreciate the small membership church music school and how it adapted to our needs. Although we have had four, each has been different and continues to improve our group," says Ann G. Deal, Bethel Church, Ronda. "We would like to take part in this again," writes Helga King, Nelson Chapel Church, Lenoir.

These are just a few of the comments received by the state music and worship team regarding the Small Membership Music Schools, special workshops for churches with 300 members or less. The special schools include a four-hour training event held in the local church and led by qualified church

musicians. There are six models from which a church may select, each tailored to meet the specific needs of the smaller membership congregation.

Each music school event includes choral clinics (training adult choir members), one-on-one consultation with music director and accompanists, training of children and youth choir workers, organist and/or pianist training, one-on-one consultation with music director, and a "design your own worship" session.

Registration fee is only \$60 (applied toward the expenses of enlisting musicians and team members). For more information, check the appropriate item on the back page or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 217 or bcanter@bscnc.org.

Festivals Are Fun

1998 Schedule

Each year the music and worship team sponsors a variety of church music festivals for virtually every size and type of church across the state convention. The music festivals provide opportunities for fellowship with other churches, allow members to hear other choirs and instrumentalists, "stretch" choirs musically and spiritually, and provide a sense of accomplishment, inspiration, and fun.

A Youth Choir Festival and Instrumental Festival will be held on Feb. 20-21 at Wake Forest University, **Winston-Salem**, and three Adult Handbell Festivals will be held on Feb. 27-28 at Biltmore Church, **Asheville**; First Church, **Cary**; and First Church, **Gastonia**.

Two Youth Handbell Festivals are set for Mar. 13-14 at Penelope Church, **Hickory** and First Church, **High Point**.

An Adult Ensemble Festival is set for May 29-30 at the Caraway Conference Center, **Asheboro**, and a Senior Adult Choir Festival will be held on Oct. 5-6 at Western Avenue Church, **Statesville**.

Registration for all festivals (except Senior Adult Choir Festival) is open from Jan. 1-31. (More information is available in the 1998 Music & Worship Ministries Booklet.) For a copy, check the appropriate item on the back page or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 217 or bcanter@bscnc.org.



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1998 Music & Worship Ministries Booklet

*(Mailed to churches
last September)*

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contact the Baptist
Building at ext. 217 or
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Coming in 1999 Baptist All-State Youth Choir

'First Place' Workshops

Regional Events

Three training events, called "First Place: A Christ-centered Health Program," will be held at Cornerstone Church, **Charlotte**, Feb. 6-7; First Church, **Hendersonville**, Aug. 7-8; and Baptist Building, **Cary**, Nov. 13-14.

The Charlotte meeting will feature Branda Polk, First Place specialist from the Baptist Sunday School Board in Nashville. Cost is \$15 per person (after Jan. 25, \$20).

The Hendersonville seminar will feature 22 specialized discipling and First Place workshops, led by Kay Smith, Houston, Texas and Carol Lewis, Houston, Texas. Featured speaker will be Bobby Boyles, Oklahoma City. Cost is \$65 per person. Registration deadline is July 24.

The November meeting at the Baptist Building in Cary is for youth leaders and will feature David Bennet from the Baptist Sunday School Board in Nashville. Cost is \$50 per person and registration deadline is Oct. 30.

For more information, check the appropriate item on the back page or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 202 or ehammet@bscnc.org.

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3-hour **audio** cassettes & listening guides – **\$17**

Eddie Hammett, presenter

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5-hour **audio** cassettes & listening guides – **\$23**

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Guidebook – **\$5** (video tape available in mid-1998)

Vernon Cole, presenter

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Book – **\$11.95 + tax** (video tape available in March, 1998)

Order directly from Smyth and Helwys – 1-800-568-1248

Eddie Hammett, author

✦ Managing Change and Transition

3-hour **video** cassettes – **FOR LOAN ONLY**

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Reggie McNeal, presenter

(Other FOR LOAN ONLY resources are available from the AV Library)

'Helping Hurting People' Conference

Caraway — March 12-13

A two-day conference on developing ministries to help hurting people in your community will be held at the Caraway Conference Center, **Asheboro**, on Mar. 12-13. The meeting is designed for pastors, church staff, associational ministers, discipleship leaders, and persons with a concern for helping hurting people.

Conference topics will include (1) identifying the hurting people in your church and community, (2) designing effective strategies for helping hurting people, and (3) locating the proper resources and leadership for the ministry.

Conference leaders will be David Walley minister, Pastoral Counseling, First Church,

Hendersonville, Tenn. and Eddie Hammett, Baptist Building.

Cost is \$55 (non-refundable after Feb. 20).

For more information, check the appropriate item on the back page or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 209 or ehammet@bscnc.org.



Caring For Our Families
Making Life For Older Adults...
The Best Of Times

Week of Prayer:
February 1-8, 1998

North Carolina Offering for Older Adults
Goal: \$450,000



Caring For Our Families

An Interview with Juanita Lojko, Chair
Baptist Retirement Homes of North Carolina, Inc.



Wedding photos...graduation diplomas...baby books... birthday cards. These are the treasured mementos that track the span of a lifetime. Often a single photograph can evoke the feelings of a moment past, a lesson learned or personal joy or satisfaction. These moments are the pieces that create the unique tapestry that God has carefully woven with our lives.

"As we grow from child to parent, to adult child and often caregiver to our spouses or parent, different priorities emerge and personal needs change," points out Juanita Lojko, Chair of Baptist Retirement Homes of North Carolina, Inc. "Within the last 50 years, what we have known as the traditional life cycle for Americans has evolved dramatically. Improvements in medicine, coupled with our own conscious efforts to stay active and healthy have literally added years to our lives."

There are now over 30 million people age 65 and over in the United States, representing almost 12% of our population. By 2020, researchers predict that one out of every five Americans will be active retirees.

"While the numbers of retirees rise, the options as we grow older are also increasing," Juanita explains. "As they age, some older adults are moving in with their children or into retirement communities while others are contracting for in-home care services. Though every family is unique, issues like financial investments and medical care must play vital roles in the decisions we make about retirement. Questions like 'Whom do I want to take care of me if medical care is necessary? How will I support myself if my spouse passes away? Should we stay in our home – or move closer to family?' All should be considered."

For forty-five years, Baptist Retirement Homes has worked to address these exact issues for North Carolina's growing population of retirees. With four retirement communities throughout the state – the Brookridge Retirement Community in Winston-Salem, the Western North Carolina Baptist Home in Asheville, the Taylor House in Albemarle and the Hamilton Baptist Home in Hamilton, Baptist Retirement Homes offers retirees a variety of lifestyle options – suited to their individual needs.

This year, our Week of Prayer material emphasizes exploring the Older Adult and his/her family relationships. We'll discuss how we can grow closer as a family, by understanding and respecting each family member's needs – and anticipating the joys and challenges of this new era in the family cycle.



Being A Family Caregiver

An Interview with Doris Blackwell



It has been said that there are four kinds of people in this world: Those who have been caregivers, those who currently are caregivers, those who will be caregivers, and those who will need caregiving. An estimated 5% of Older Adults requiring care in America in 1997 receive it in institutions. Family and friends attend to most care recipients at home. Whether by personal choice, or financial necessity, many of us will be an active caregiver to our parents, a spouse or other loved one.

All family caregivers need to take care of themselves. This may mean asking sons and daughters and brothers and sisters to assist in ways they haven't before, and not expecting the oldest or the closest or the female adult child to take on all the responsibility. It may mean setting reasonable limits on the demands of the ill person – not giving in to requests to run upstairs ten times a day, not giving up much-needed social contacts and activities, and not getting into the habit of doing things the sick person is capable of doing for

himself or herself. It may mean recognizing that the time may come when a healthcare facility can provide the best care for the parent or spouse.

"When my husband was sick, he moved directly into the Prince Nursing Center at the Brookridge Retirement Community," relates Doris Blackwell. "I moved into Independent Living six months later. His move was a very hard decision for me to make and very hard to do. Our doctor, a geriatrician, was a great help to my family in making the decision for my husband to move. He explained that my health would deteriorate if we didn't seek care for my husband."

Mrs. Blackwell noted, "For those who have been in long and happy marriages, caring for one's ill and incapacitated husband or wife is often an unquestioned part of the marital commitment. Spouses usually feel that caregiving is their responsibility, and experience feelings of guilt and inadequacy if they can't do it all on their own. It's natural too for the caregiving partner to feel grief and sadness at the loss of the way the mate used to be."

"At first," says Mrs. Blackwell, "my family couldn't understand why I would want to move to Brookridge, too. We had a lovely home in Old Salem but it was so lonesome after my husband moved. I wanted to be close to him, and be as much a part of his life as possible."

Being a caregiver can be a beautiful, rewarding, yet often challenging experience. By preparing and

educating ourselves about what to expect— from ourselves and from our loved one — we can lessen many of our frustrations as a family caregiver.



Living Together As An Extended Family

An Interview with Calvin Knight



Many families invite loved ones into their homes after a hospital discharge or the death of a spouse. Others make plans for sharing their home when the parents are still quite independent, because living in multigenerational households is customary and expected in their families.

"Living together as an extended family offers many advantages – it can make caregiving more convenient, ease financial strains on the family, provide for close relationships between grandparents and grandchildren, and create a safe environment for the older generation," explains Calvin Knight, Chaplain of the Brookridge Retirement Community.

Two-career couples, houses that afford less privacy and longer life expectancy make the choice of living as an extended family less automatic than it used to be. One factor to be considered is whether a family may have to give up working, or work fewer hours, in order to care for the older person. Another consideration is

space – whether other family members will need to be displaced, whether the home can be adapted to any physical limitations, and how arrangements can be made to allow for enough privacy for all family members.

"Even when all members of the family are enthusiastic about the living arrangement, conflicts and tension may arise because of unclear expectations," counsels Chaplain Knight. "The older person may not know whether help with cooking and other household work is wanted or resented. The adult children may not know whether the parent wants to be included when guests are invited, or would prefer not to join in. A woman may feel uncomfortable talking on the phone when her mother-in-law is in the room, but may feel it is rude to go into another room."

These kinds of uncertainties mount up and can damage family relationships. Everyone will breathe easier if they can sit down and talk about organizing their time apart and together, so that no one will feel that they have to walk on eggs and risk hurt feelings.

"Living together as an extended family can be part of the natural rhythm of life," notes Chaplain Knight. "For our family, it's been a wonderful opportunity to work together, develop better relationships and discover new strengths in each other. The whole enterprise of ensuring good care for someone loved in common can be a powerful force for unity and satisfaction for a family."



The Older Adult and Family Relationships

An Interview with Peggy Noel, M.D.



As our roles change throughout the family life cycle, so do our family relationships. Growing older brings a new set of priorities, challenges and fears for each family member.

"Gradual losses of hearing, vision, memory, and the onset of arthritis may cause many Older Adults to withdraw from their normal social life," explains Peggy Noel, M.D., Geriatric Physician and Director of the Center for Older Adults at Thoms Rehabilitation Hospital in Asheville. "Such limitations and losses may cause depression and stress, but usually people do not talk about them as the reasons they don't want to drive, or accept invitations, or continue with activities that have previously been pleasurable and meaningful. Staying in touch becomes increasingly important. With regular contact — by phone if we live at a distance — we can be aware of changes in our parents' activities and in their personalities that may signal a need for more assistance."

It may take years for change to occur. On the other hand, change may come suddenly in the form of a sudden crisis such as an accident, a stroke or heart attack. Whether these realizations come slowly or quickly, the result is the same. Parents and children switch roles.

Dr. Noel observes, "If the adult children have a family of their own and feel constrained by time, or are simply not ready for this responsibility, they may feel guilty, angry or anxious. If the parents are struggling with their loss of independence, their reaction to needing care from their children may be frustration and resistance. Frequently, problems arise between siblings who live near relatives and those who do not, due to differences in perspective and attitudes towards their parents."

So how can it work? "We should all understand that living a long life usually means becoming dependent on others at some point. Preparedness is important, whether we're the caregivers or the receivers of care," says Dr. Noel.

"The church can be a vital source of help and information, especially when family members don't live in the same town. Ministers often are aware of changes that occur among members of their congregation, and can alert families. As changes occur and needs increase, it's important to become aware of community resources, such as senior centers, home health agencies and adult day care programs, which can provide appropriate services."



Where To Live: A Family Decision

An Interview with Jane Jackson Thomas



Deciding where we, whether single or married, will live later in life is one of the most difficult decisions we have to make, and one that has an impact on every member of the family.

Today, Older Adults have more options than ever before. Some Older Adults are moving in with their children or hiring live-in help. Others are moving into institutional settings.

"Many older people who move to retirement communities take to them enthusiastically right from the beginning, as my parents did," says Jane Jackson Thomas whose parents moved to the Brookridge Retirement Community in 1991. "They enjoy the increased social contact. They welcome the relief from housekeeping chores. Having meals with other people improves their pleasure in eating and their nutrition. Having neighbors and caregivers close by makes them feel secure and protected. Parents and children can enjoy each other more, and find time for long conversations that strengthen family bonds."

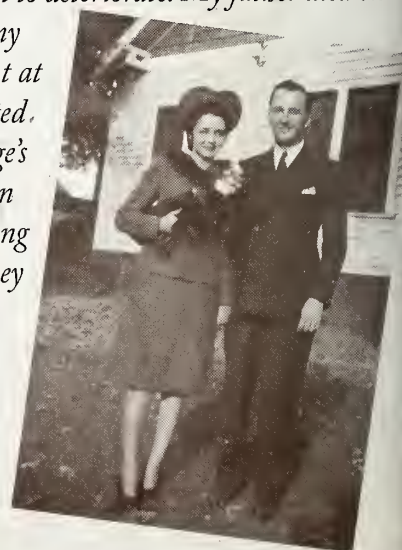
At times, a move is prompted by the adult children's concern for the parents' safety. The children may observe that the parent forgets to take medication, is unable to hear the phone ringing, doesn't see well enough to drive safely, or would be alone and helpless in the event of an accident or emergency. The concern for safety often must be balanced against the older person's desire for independence and willingness to tolerate danger.

Often, the need for a change of residence is first recognized by the parents.

As Jane Jackson Thomas relates, "I remember well the day my parents approached my husband and me with the concept of moving into a retirement community. It was only fitting that Mother and Daddy would focus on the Baptist Retirement Homes for they already had friends there, and in my parents' minds, there was no other choice. They knew their life situation was changing and they wanted to be prepared for the future."

"A Brookridge advertisement in the paper featured my parents' picture from time to time, with a short message from them. As they stated, 'We appreciate the peace of mind that comes with knowing that if we need help, it's right here.'"

"That prophetic phrase proved true in the last year, as both my parents' health began to deteriorate. My father died on January 12, 1997 and my mother is now a resident at Brookridge in the Assisted Living Unit. Brookridge's ministry of love has been demonstrated to me during this difficult time, for they have carried out my parents' hopes for peace of mind."



Love In The Older Years

An Interview with Leroy and Sara Parker



After becoming a medical doctor, then traveling around America, Dr. Leroy Parker felt called to enroll in Southern Baptist Theological Seminary to prepare for work in ministry. It was there that he met Sara Kanoy, who was enrolled in the WMU Training School.

"It was my senior year," says Dr. Parker. "We were attending a function at House Beautiful. I spotted her red socks across the room, wrangled an introduction by several North Carolina boys, and asked her if she'd like to take a walk. I was so smitten, I turned down a job offer and stayed on for a year of post graduate work to make sure I had a chance with her."

Needless to say, the feeling was mutual. That was 54 years ago, in 1943.

"We've had a wonderful marriage, but there's never been a perfect marriage," explains Sara. "You must feel a commitment. We've always attempted to follow God's will, and we really

love and respect each other. We also believe it's very important to work, plan and play together...and if you are blessed with children to make a point to be a part of their lives."

"Of course, we've had our share of difficulties, especially where health is concerned. Leroy fell off the roof several years ago and was not expected to live. Our granddaughter died of leukemia. And, I have had cancer. But prayer has always sustained our marriage and our family."

When asked to describe the ingredients for a long and happy marriage, Dr. Parker recited the following:

"Ten Commandments for Husbands and Wives"
by Hughes Wagner.

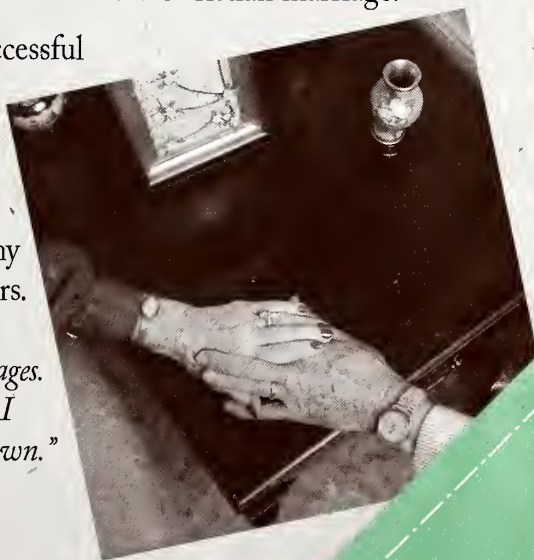
Scripture - I Corinthians 13

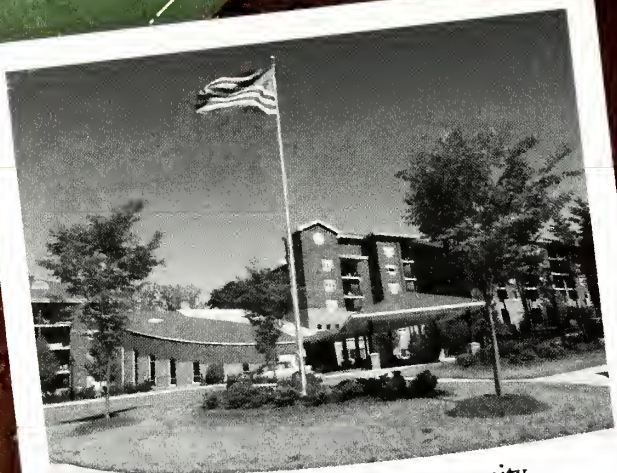
1. Thou shalt understand what marriage really is.
2. Thou shalt accept each other for what each is.
3. Thou shalt talk things through.
4. Thou shalt trust one another.
5. Thou shalt forgive one another.
6. Thou shalt develop a sense of humor.
7. Thou shalt be loyal to one another.
8. Thou shalt take the positive approach.
9. Thou shalt cultivate thy romance.
10. Thou shalt make thine a Christian marriage.

With such a successful marriage, it's fitting that

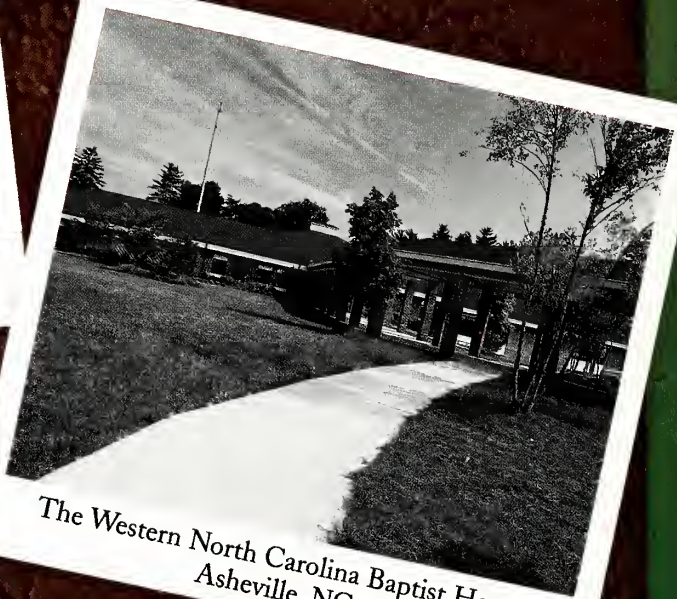
Dr. Parker has performed the marriage ceremony for so many others.

"I've performed hundreds of marriages. And, every time, I recommit to my own."

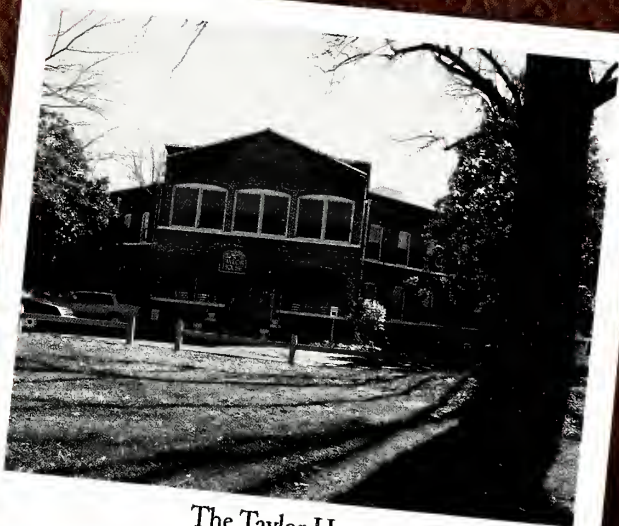




Brookridge Retirement Community
Winston-Salem, NC



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Albemarle, NC



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NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST SINGERS SCHEDULE

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First Church, Shelby
Jan. 26

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First Church, Clinton
Mar. 16

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Haywood Community
College, Waynesville
Apr. 20

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First Church, Asheboro
May 18

❖
Caraway
Sept. 21-22

❖
Durham Memorial
Church, Charlotte
Oct. 26

Church Treasurers

Area Conferences

A variety of topics of interest to church treasurers—from new IRS regulations to depositing employee payroll taxes electronically—will be highlighted during the four regional Church Treasurers Conferences to be held in **Wilmington**, Jan. 29; **Raleigh**, Jan. 30; **Lexington**, Feb. 5; and **Hickory**, Feb. 6.

The meeting is open to all treasurers, pastors, church stewardship directors, finance committee members, church financial secretaries, and other interested church leaders.

Each conference, which features a speaker from the IRS, will include discussions on new business expense substantiation rules, requirements concerning depositing payroll taxes electronically, charitable contribution regulations, and the proper use of Form 1099 by churches.

Cost of \$7.50 includes lunch and materials. For more information, check the appropriate item on the back page or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 205 or kbatts@bscnc.org.

March: Mental Retardation Month

Bulletin Inserts Available

Churches are encouraged to observe a Special Education Sunday in March to call attention to the needs of persons with mental handicaps and members of their families.

Bulletin inserts are available free of charge to state convention churches.

More than 135 North Carolina Baptist churches have special education classes for persons with mental handicaps. Statewide, there are approximately 136,000 persons with some type of mental handicap.

For more information, check the appropriate item on the back page or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 433 or dboykin@bscnc.org.

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Disciple Making Church

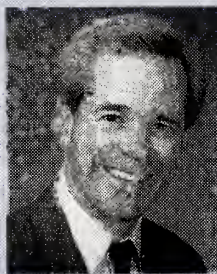
Cary Meeting

A conference on creating a disciple making church, an extensive, three-year process designed to refashion a church around discipling its members, will be held at the Baptist Building, **Cary**, on Jan. 15-17.

For more information, check the appropriate item on the back page or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 209 or ehammet@bscnc.org.

DiscipleMaking Institute '98

"MAXIMIZING MINISTRY EFFECTIVENESS"



SPEAKER:
Aubrey Malphurs
professor, Dallas
Theological Seminary

Caraway Conference Center

March 6-7



COST:

\$60 per person
(non-refundable after Mar. 1)

For more information, check the appropriate item on the back page or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 209 or ehammet@bscnc.org.

51ST ANNUAL NORTH CAROLINA STATE EVANGELISM CONFERENCE

War Memorial Auditorium, Greensboro

February 2-3,
2 p.m. Monday to 9 p.m. Tuesday

'Go Make Disciples — Share Christ's Love'

SPEAKERS

Phil Roberts, Alpharetta, Ga.
John Sullivan, Jacksonville, Fla.
Ralph Douglas West,
Houston, Texas
Charles Page, Charlotte, N.C.
Bobby Welch, Daytona
Beach, Fla.
John Ed Mathison, Montgomery,
Ala.
Richard Vera, Denver, Colo.
Raymond Whitfield, Nebo, N.C.
Bob & Phyllis Foy, Charlotte,
N.C.

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Dick Baker, McKinney Texas
Patricia Long, Mooresville,
N.C.
Vernard Johnson, Ft. Worth,
Texas
Becki Smith, Acworth, Ga.
Melody Masters, Spartanburg,
S.C.
Mark Stamper, Mt. Holly, N.C.
Scott Stevenson, Statesville,
N.C.

INTERFAITH WITNESS ASSOCIATE TRAINING SEMINAR Caraway — April 17-18

For more information, check the appropriate item on
the back page or contact the Baptist Building at
ext. 453 or njones@bscnc.org.

Eastern NC Workshop

Caswell, May 1-2

The annual Eastern North Carolina Evangelism Workshop will be held at NC Baptist Assembly (Caswell) in **Southport** on May 1-2. The meeting is for all pastors, church staff ministers, and interested laity.

"This is your opportunity to hear people who understand the eastern North Carolina mindset,"

according to Milton Hollifield, workshop leader and state evangelism director. "The event," adds Hollifield, "will offer a variety of conferences, plus a time of worship, singing, and fellowship."

For more information, check the appropriate item on the back page or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 453 or njones@bscnc.org.

'Share Jesus Without Fear' Workshop

Greensboro, February 2

"Share Jesus Without Fear" will be the topic of a one-day workshop preceding the State Evangelism Conference on Monday, Feb. 2, at Immanuel Church, 2432 High Point Rd., **Greensboro** (across from coliseum) from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., sponsored by the Evangelism Division and Laity Leadership, Baptist Building. Cost is only \$6 per person (for lunch).

The "Share Jesus Without Fear" program, written by Bill Fay and Ralph Hodge, is an easy-to-use and low key approach to witnessing. The relational approach emphasizes "acting out your Christian life, sharing the gospel, and trusting God for the results," according to workshop leaders. The program makes witnessing easier for the many Christians who find it difficult to share their faith with family, friends, co-workers, and neighbors.

For more information, check the appropriate item on the back page or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 202 or ehammet@bscnc.org.

SuperSummer '98

July 30-31

\$12 per person

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Charlotte

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ticket order packets
mailed by April 1

RECOMMENDATION TO THE BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION'S 1998 COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

Recommendations may be sent to: Committee on Committees at PO Box 1107, Cary, NC 27512-1107. **Please submit recommendation by June 1, 1998.** (You may photocopy this form.)

1. Because I believe that the following named person has demonstrated in his/her personal and church life a strong commitment to Christian beliefs and principles and is capable of providing stable and effective leadership in an important denominational position:
I recommend: (full name) _____
2. Address _____ City _____ Zip _____
Phone: Bus: () _____ Res: () _____
3. Approximate age _____ Male _____ Female _____
4. Check the **ONE COMMITTEE** on which you believe this person can best serve:

_____ Cooperation with General Baptists	_____ Nominations
_____ Historical	_____ Convention Program
_____ Local Arrangements	_____ Resolutions
_____ Memorials	_____ Trustee Orientation
5. Please state why you feel this person is qualified to serve: _____

6. Other information about the person you are recommending:
 - a. Nominee's church _____ Resident church membership _____
Church address _____ City _____ Zip _____
Church telephone number () _____
 - b. Association to which this church belongs: _____ Region: _____
 - c. Give a statement as to the past and present support of this person to this church and to North Carolina Baptists: _____

 - d. Is the person ordained? _____ If so, list churches served: _____
 - e. If lay person, occupation past five years: _____
If lay person, list positions filled in the local church _____
 - f. Would this person take seriously the responsibility of service on a convention committee? _____
 - g. Denominational service (to be completed for a pastor or a lay person). List associational and/or convention boards, committees, commissions, etc. served on and offices held: _____
7. Please understand that this recommendation **DOES NOT** assure that the person you are recommending will be nominated by the Committee on Committees and/or elected by the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina; however, your recommendation will be given serious consideration. The consent of a nominee will be secured by the Committee on Committees.
Signed: _____
(Name of person making the recommendation)
Mailing address: _____
City _____ Zip _____
Telephone number: () _____
Church _____ Region/Association _____

Date: _____

(Forms received after the Committee on Committees's first meeting will be given to the 1999 Committee on Committees.)

CHECK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION & REGISTRATION

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Activating An Apathetic Church

90-minute audio cassette & listening guides – \$6.50
#_____ @ \$6.50 = Total \$_____

Growing Deacons/Growing Churches

3-hour audio cassettes & listening guides – \$17
_____ @ \$17 = Total \$ _____

The Emerging Role of Deacons in Southern Baptist Life

5-hour audio cassettes & listening guides – \$23
4-hour video cassettes & listening guides – \$44
_____ audio cassettes @ \$23 = Total \$ _____
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Creating A Process of Change for the Local Church

3-hour video cassettes & listening guides – \$34
@ \$34 = Total \$

Deacon Ministry and Spiritual Gifts

Guidebook – \$5 (video tape available in mid-1998)
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CHURCH LEADER

Resources and information from the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina to your local church.

What Is Lay Ministry?

By **Eddie Hammett, Team Leader, Laity Leadership**

Lay ministry is moving into the spotlight in churches as we move into the 21st century. The scope for lay ministry varies from sharing pastoral ministries with the unordained and the laity to lay persons becoming responsible and accountable for ministries in the world through their daily work. This is a significant shift from the clergy-directed churches we have known during the last several decades.

During those years, the biblical mandate of the priesthood of the believers was reinterpreted from the ministry of all God's people to the ministry of just the ordained. Most churches then quickly became clergy-directed, and the layperson in the pew became only a spectator at a weekly gathering, who helped pay the preacher to do ministry. This trend not only departed from biblical teaching (Ephesians 4, 1 Peter 2:9-10, Matthew 28), but also sabotaged the mission of God in the world and the church. We relegated the primary responsibility for the mission to just the ordained clergy. Now we understand, because we are living in a pagan culture again, that just a few people ministering in a hurting, lost world cannot possibly reach the world for Christ. It takes all believers working together as co-laborers and ministering in the fields that are white unto harvest.

The secularization of our culture, the busy people in our churches, and the massive number of needy, hurting, and lonely people in the world are calling all the children of God to return to the mission. There's enough hurt, need, "lostness," and challenge to necessitate the spectator to become an active player/minister and for the church's focus to turn from maintaining an institution to penetrating the world with the message and love of Christ.

Many are saying we are living in the unfinished Reformation. During the Protestant Reformation, the Word of God was unchained from the clergy's pulpits and given to the people of God. Today, the work/ministry of God is being given to all the people of God and is no longer just the responsibility of the clergy.

Is your church full of spectators or ministers called and responsible for doing ministry in the church and the world? Who are the called/gifted in your congregation? Just the ordained? Or is it all believers?

If you would like more information or help in activating your lay people and creating a lay-directed church, call the Laity Leadership Team at ext. 209 or 205 or ehammet@bscnc.org or kbatts@bscnc.org or Wendy Edwards (800) 484-4037, pin#2273.

EVENTS TO COME

Southern Baptist Convention
Salt Lake City, Utah – June 9-11

Cooperative Baptist Fellowship
Houston, Texas – June 25-27

Week of Christian Study & Fellowship
Mars Hill College – June 29-July 3

Super Summer '98
Paramount's Carowinds Theme Park – July 30-31

Baptist Student Convention
Ridgecrest – Sept. 25-27

Baptist State Convention
Winston-Salem – Nov. 9-11

SPECIAL OFFERINGS

Baptist Hospital (Mother's Day) – May 3-10, (Contact: James Murphy, 910-716-3027)

NC Missions (State Missions) – Sept. 13-20, (Contact: 800-395-5102 or 919-467-5100, ext. 437)

World Hunger – Oct. 11, (Contact: 800-395-5102 or 919-467-5100, ext. 402 or 403)

Baptist Children's Homes (Thanksgiving) – Nov. 15-22, (Contact: Kathy Fields, 800-476-3669)

MOTHER'S DAY OFFERING

For Baptist Hospital of NC

Week of Prayer
May 3-10, 1998

Goal: \$500,000

Music Week At Caswell

July 13-18

For summer 1998, music camp at NC Baptist Assembly (Caswell) in **Southport** is taking on a different look. This year we invite all age groups to participate together as we combine Youth/Adult Music Week with Children's Music Week to sponsor Music Week at Caswell July 13-18, 1998.

Older children, youth, and adult singers, ringers, and instrumentalists will enjoy classes and rehearsals in tracks designed for their own ages and musical interests. Your church may bring children only, youth only, or a combination of both age groups. Child care will be provided for school-aged children who have completed 1st-3rd grades if they accompany their parents to Music Camp. Child care is available from 8:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m. each day with a fee of \$10 per child.

For more information, check the appropriate item on the back page or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 217 or bcanter@bscnc.org

Adult Ensemble Festival

For Small Ensembles

Designed for adult ensembles with 16 members or less, the Adult Ensemble Festival will be offered at Caraway Conference Center, **Asheboro**, on May 29-30. This year, we welcome Bob Burroughs and Jack Causey as our festival leaders. Registration deadline is April 15. Register early!

For more information, check the appropriate item on the back page or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 217 or bcanter@bscnc.org

Instrumental Workshop

September 25-26

An Instrumental Workshop will be held at Grove Park Church, **Burlington**, on September 25-26. This workshop is designed to sharpen the skills of church orchestral musicians and to broaden their understanding of the function of church musicians. Performance

opportunities will be available for praise band and church orchestra members. Registration deadline is August 1.

For more information, check the appropriate item on the back page or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 217 or bcanter@bscnc.org

North Carolina Singers

Recording Available

Can't make it to one of the North Carolina Baptist Singers concerts? Why not purchase their music on cassette or compact disc? Their new recording will be released this spring. Get your copy by sending \$10 for the cassette or \$15 for the compact disc to the Music and Worship Team, Baptist State Convention. Please make

checks payable to the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina. All proceeds will be used to help the singers and instrumentalists go on a mission trip/concert tour to South Africa in 1999.

For more information, contact the Baptist Building at ext. 217 or bcanter@bscnc.org

Bible Drills/Speakers' Tournament

1998 Spring Schedule

Youth Bible Drills and Speakers' Tournaments will be held at Trinity Church, **Raleigh**, and First Church, **Valdese**, on Friday, April 17, and at First Church, **Asheboro**; Bethel Church, **Canton**; and Village Church, **Fayetteville**, on April 24.

Children's Bible Drills are scheduled for First Church, **Franklin**; **Kenansville** (NC) Church; Trinity Church, **Raleigh**; Adaville Church, **Spindale**; and

First Church, **Valdese**, on Saturday, April 18, and at First Church, **Asheboro**; Bethel Church, **Canton**; First Church, **Charlotte**; Village Church, **Fayetteville**; and Baptist Home Church, **North Wilkesboro**, on April 25.

For more information, check the appropriate item on the back page or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 219 or lmccoy@bscnc.org

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National Sunday School Directors' Seminar

Trinity Church, Raleigh, May 15-16

"In March of 1996, I participated in one of the most helpful conferences I have ever attended, the National Sunday School Directors' Seminar," said Ed Trull, pastor of Holly Springs Church in Franklin. "Every seminar was practical and beneficial to my ministry. There was a good variety of topics covered, and each conference leader gave specific help that really worked. I plan to attend in 1998."

Now's your chance to attend this special seminar designed by the Baptist Sunday School Board (BSSB) and the North Carolina Bible Teaching-Reaching Team (State Sunday School Department) for both new Sunday School directors and seasoned veterans. Choose from conferences on the basic skills

needed by a Sunday School director or more in-depth sessions dealing with leadership skills for experienced directors.

The seminar begins Friday, May 15, with registration 9:30-10 a.m. and will conclude on Saturday, May 16, at 12:30 p.m. Total cost per person is \$79. Registration information will be sent to pastors and Sunday School directors from the BSSB.

Pastors are strongly encouraged to attend with their Sunday School director, and each director who brings their pastor to the seminar will receive a special \$10 rebate on their registration fee.

For more information, check the appropriate item on the back page or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 227 or pstone@bscnc.org.

Hymnals for Ukraine

You Can Put A Song In Another's Heart.

Get your church choir members involved in missions! During the last several years, North Carolina Baptists have provided funds to help Ukrainian Baptists produce their very first hymnal. To date, we have contributed \$30,000 toward the publication, but \$58,000 still remains.

In March, the Music and Worship Team, in cooperation with Baptist Men, will launch the campaign "You Can Put A Song In Another's Heart" which encourages choir members to give money for one Ukrainian hymnal. The cost is only \$3.30. This campaign will collect contributions through August. In the next weeks, encourage your choir members (children, youth, adults, and senior adults) to give. See how many hymn books your choirs can provide!

Please make checks payable to the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina and mail them to the Music and Worship Team at the Baptist Building.

For more information, contact the Baptist Building at ext. 217 or bcanter@bscnc.org.

NC Singers and Wind Ensemble Spring 1998 Concert Schedule

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Haywood Community College, sponsored by Allens Creek Church, Waynesville
April 20

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First Church, Asheboro
May 18

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All concerts begin at 7:20 p.m.

Discipleship Training Week

Ridgecrest, July 4-10

New resources will be reviewed, and you'll have opportunities to network with others interested in discipling persons of all age groups and in all life situations. The new administrative guide, *Leading Discipleship in the Church*, will be available at Baptist Bookstore or State Convention for only \$1. For more information, check the appropriate item on the back page or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 202 or ehammet@bscnc.org.

COMING IN 1999

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BAPTIST ALL-STATE YOUTH CHOIR

Discipleship Is Alive In North Carolina

More Than Sunday Night Programs

Many North Carolina churches and individuals are involved in the creative discipling of people of every age group and life stage. In the past, discipling was basically confined to Sunday night gatherings at church where participants studied doctrinally-based curricula.

Christians today are discovering that discipleship is much bigger than Sunday night. It can happen at any time, anywhere.

Our busy society is calling the church away from structured church-based classes to Christ-centered, relational-based models of discipleship.

Small groups are offering graduated, relevant, community-building, and/or accountability relationships for those seeking answers to weather life's storms and challenges. Youth, college students, and adults of all ages are finding hope and healing through life support and life issue-focused groups.

TeamKid is a discipling club for preschoolers and children built

around teams and coaching concepts while working with multiple age groups in the same group. It's an excellent new path for discipling. For more information about TeamKid, contact the Baptist Building at ext. 209 or ehammet@bscnc.org.

Disciplemaking churches are emerging as they become intentional about focusing every aspect of

church life on making disciples. Numerical growth has been a natural result of spiritual growth. (See information about the DiscipleMaking Church Conference.)

Assimilation is becoming an essential aspect in discipling for the 21st century. Creating community and a sense of belonging among members and newcomers is a must as church leaders help each person find their unique place in the local Body of Christ.

For more information, contact the Baptist Building at ext. 202 or 209 or ehammet@bscnc.org.

DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING

Church Building Conference

Cary Meeting

Is your church considering renovating or building a new facility? The Spring Church Building Conference will be held at First Church, **Cary**, on Tuesday, April 14, from 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Learn everything you need to know to take your building program from dream to reality. The conference will discuss funding; you'll meet building specialists; and you may attend a variety of conferences including playground design. Each church attending will receive a complimentary copy of Building and Planning Church Facilities. Cost is only \$12.50 per person which includes lunch and the conference fee.

Preregister by mailing your check (made payable to the Baptist State Convention) to Mary Conyers, Church Programs, P.O. Box 1107, Cary, NC 27512-1107.

For more information, check the appropriate item on the back page or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 211 or mconyer@bscnc.org.

DiscipleMaking Church Conference Salem Church, Apex / April 21-23

WORKSHOP LEADER:

Bill Eastum, author of
*Growing Spiritual Redwoods and
Sacred Cows Make Gourmet Burgers*

TOPICS:

"DiscipleMaking Leaders"
"Leading Worship for People of the Heart"
"Transitioning the Church"

For more information, check the appropriate item on the back page or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 202 or ehammet@bscnc.org and visit our web site www.bscnc.org



MOTHER'S DAY OFFERING

Baptist Hospital of North Carolina, Inc.

Week of Prayer • May 3-10, 1998

Touching Lives With Hope

When medical bills compound the devastating effects of illness, some families find emergency relief through benevolent funds provided through the Mother's Day Offering for Baptist Hospital. All gifts to the fund go to help families pay their hospital bills.

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Woman Dedicated to Helping Others Receives Assistance

August, 1996, was a month filled with changes for Brooke A. Rodgers. The agency she worked for had closed its doors, and she had decided to move to Winston-Salem to stay with a friend and look for a new position. Her youngest daughter, Maggie, was packing for her first semester at college.

A few days before the movers were scheduled to come, Rodgers visited a women's health center at the University of Virginia for an annual check-up. Doctors there found a lump in Rodgers's

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breast. The lump was cancerous, and the cancer had spread to her lymph glands. It was information that changed her life. Suddenly the productive, single mother of two college students became an unemployed, uninsured cancer patient.

Rodgers underwent a mastectomy at the University of Virginia, where doctors referred her to the bone marrow transplant program at Duke Hospital. She went ahead with the move to Winston-Salem, and from December 1996 through March 1997 she began making a bimonthly trek to Durham for chemotherapy.

The cancer treatments depleted her physical and financial reserves.

"Everywhere I went, I accumulated lots of bills," she said. Her friends in Elkin responded by creating a trust fund for her. She was blessed with the emotional support of her five sisters and many friends.

When chemotherapy ended, she was scheduled for intensive radiation treatments, which would last every day for seven weeks. But the two-hour drive to Durham had been such a drain on her that Rodgers appealed to Baptist Hospital for care. She was admitted to the cancer program and was able to have her radiation there in June and July 1997. Rodgers' final treatment fell on her birthday, July 29.

Today, Rodgers' health is restored so that she can teach as a substitute in Winston-Salem/Forsyth County schools, and she is searching for a full-time job. Her entire work experience has been built around helping those less fortunate than she. For the past 20 years, Rodgers has worked for non profit organizations, coordinating low-income housing. In the 1970s, she devoted two years to working with Volunteers In Service To America, VISTA, the domestic Peace Corps.

Rodgers is grateful for the many kinds of support she received during the toughest days of her illness.

"When I got the letter from Baptist Hospital saying they had paid my bill, I sat down and cried," she said. "I had no idea that was a remote possibility." Today, she is making monthly payments on her other hospital bills. "I will pay them off,"

she said. "I want to pay back the money because I want other people to have the benefit of this treatment."



Maggie and Anna Cooper with their mother, Brooke Rodgers

Life is slowly returning to normal. Her cancer seems to have subsided. Her oldest daughter, Anna, will graduate from West Virginia University in May 1999, and Maggie will be among the class of 2000.

"I'm anticipating absolutely no recurrence," she said. "I'm moving forward. I've always been healthy. Before this, I never had any serious health problems. It really let me know that cancer

could strike anybody.

"Even though I did not have insurance, Baptist Hospital did not turn me away. I'm eternally grateful for that. I'm also grateful that they have taken the initiative to develop a fund for people who need help at a critical time in their life. Not only did I receive excellent care from very compassionate nurses, technicians and doctors, I was treated courteously by the financial aid office.

"It gives you real faith in human kind to know that people are out there for you. It's been an incredibly emotional experience to find that there are very compassionate people working at a major medical center. I'm a very lucky person." Then she gave a laugh and added, "I'm very excited about having hair again!"

He recovered in time to see his son born

Man's Tumor is a Chance to Slow Down

April 23, 1997 was a beautiful spring day, and Kae Treadway's 28th birthday. Kae and her husband, Mark, were settling into their new home. Kae was pregnant with the Treadway's second child, which was due in two weeks. Mark treated her to a delicious meal, and the two of them went to bed that night talking about what a wonderful life they had. At 1:00 a.m., Kae was wakened by a sudden commotion in the bed beside her. She saw Mark, flailing his arms and legs uncontrollably and then falling out of bed onto the floor.

When Kae saw that her husband couldn't speak, she called 911. Emergency medical technicians revived Mark and advised him to come to the hospital, but he refused to go. Not long afterwards, he had another unexplained seizure, and Kay insisted that he take an ambulance to a Hickory hospital. Kae and 2-year-old Abbi accompanied Mark to the Emergency Department, where Mark suffered a third seizure. "Abbi slept through the whole thing," remembered Kae.

Tests showed that something was not quite right in Mark's brain, and hospital physicians advised the Treadways to go straight to Baptist Hospital. Just eight hours after the initial seizure, at 9:00 a.m., the Treadways arrived in Winston-Salem.

"We immediately felt comfortable with the competency and straightforwardness of the doctors, especially Dr. Charles Branch," Kae said. "He brought some order to chaos. Mark was feeling better then, walking and talking. Dr. Branch ordered a magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) test, and gave the Treadways the results two hours later.

"He said we were dealing with a brain tumor," Kae said, "and that it needed to come out within the next two days." Dr. Branch figured the tumor had been growing for 10 years. You'd never know it, though, because Mark was always very energetic and athletic, working hard and playing tennis, golf and basketball. I never knew where he got his energy."

The surgery went well, and Mark recovered so quickly that he was able to be at Kae's side two weeks later when she delivered a beautiful baby boy. Scot weighed in at 8 pounds, 3 ounces. Doctors decided in advance to pick a

days in the event of a major illness. On Mark's 91st day of being absent from work, he was dismissed from his job for non-attendance — as he endured a long regimen of radiation treatments.

Months before Mark's tumor was discovered, the Treadways spent their savings to make a down payment on a new home. Their family does not qualify for Medicaid. Since Mark's illness, the family has worked hard to live within Kae's income as an English and Spanish teacher at Bunker Hill High School in Catawba County. They pared down the family Christmas list, gave up going out to eat, and learned to accept favors from good-hearted people. Mark's former co-workers gave them a diaper shower. Their fellow church mem-

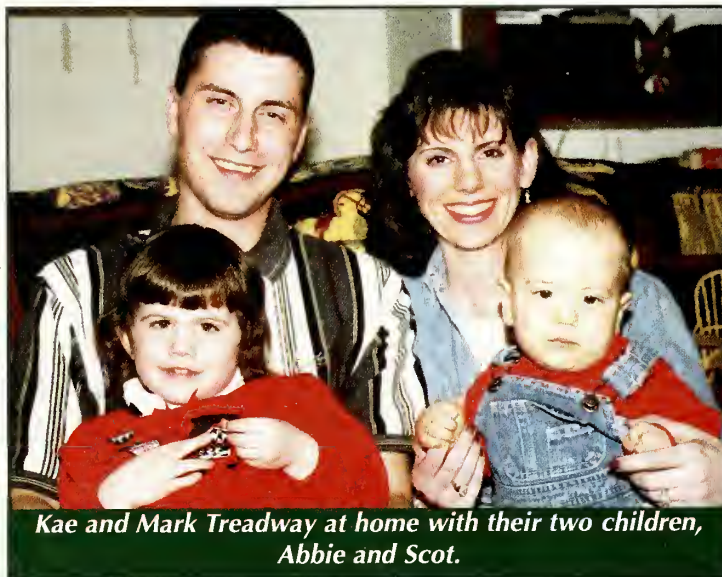
bers at Grace Baptist Church in Stanleyville have helped. Kae's co-workers at Bunker Hill have donated their own paid sick days to Kae so she could take care of Mark without endangering her job.

The Treadways make payments on Mark's other hospital bills as they are able, and they are grateful for assistance from the Benevolent Fund.

"It was a godsend," Kae said. "When I found out, I just cried. Then I told Mark, and he cried tears of relief. God places you in people's minds and hearts, and they just come through. We would never have chosen for this to happen, but the way we see it, God has worked it out for Mark to spend more time with his children. We spend more time together at home. This year we had the best Christmas ever, with the least we ever had.

"Dr. Glenn Lesser and Dr. Branch have been angels of mercy. They never belittled any question I had, and they have called me at home and at work to answer questions I had.

"We are eternally grateful for everyone's help in making this situation easier."



Kae and Mark Treadway at home with their two children, Abbi and Scot.

Photograph by Sean Considine

date, May 9, to induce Kae's labor so that Mark could get a good night's sleep and help her in the delivery room.

"The most wonderful thing was that Mark was with me during labor and delivery," Kae said. "He was the strong one so I could fall apart. He was everything I needed him to be."

To ensure that the tumor did not grow back, Mark began receiving radiation treatments at the hospital in June, 1997. The radiation continued five days a week for six weeks, and in August, when radi-

"He said we were dealing with a brain tumor," Kae said, "and that it needed to come out within the next two days."

ation treatments were completed, he began a one-year protocol of chemotherapy.

Cancer treatments are often the time equivalent of a full-time job, eating away hours and days that were formerly spent earning an income. Because of the Family and Medical Leave Act, employers must hold an employee's job for 90

Grateful family keeps positive outlook

Courageous Boy Fights for His Health

Until February 1996, Brandon Strader spent his days like any other American boy. He rode a bicycle, enjoyed roller-blading and loved baseball. Brandon's batting average was .937, the highest of any boy on his school team in Eden, N.C. But that winter when his mother, Page, took him to the doctor for an annual check-up, his urine showed small amounts of blood. That's when the Strader's world changed quickly, and forever.

The doctor prescribed an antibiotic and ordered additional urine tests, which showed even more blood. During the next week there were more tests. Page remembers the exact moment that Brandon's doctor called with the results: March 12, 1996, at 10:15 p.m. The doctor suspected that Brandon suffered from a rare blood disease and that he was hemorrhaging from the brain.

Page and Jerry Strader rushed their son to Baptist Hospital, where doctors confirmed the diagnosis of Infantile Primary Thrombocytopenia (IPT), a virus which attacks the blood. Immediately, Brandon began receiving gamma globulin treatments to increase production of blood platelets, which are produced by the bone marrow to fight infection.

Since Brandon became ill, his parents have kept an attentive eye on his blood platelet count, conveying the number to doctors at Baptist Hospital. When the count is dangerously low, Brandon goes to Baptist Hospital for three days of gamma globulin treatments.

Each treatment lasts about three hours, with 20 hours between treatments. Brandon bravely endures the side effects: migraine headaches, vomiting and diarrhea.

If his platelet count is high enough,

Brandon is allowed to play softball, wearing a helmet, elbow pads and knee pads. If it is low, he can't roller skate, ride his bike or play ball. Page said that if a ball were to hit Brandon in the nose, he could bleed to death. His courageous spirit has led him to learn golf and archery, non-contact sports which still allow him to be athletic.

"Brandon is a brave little boy," Page said. "It's hard to get stuck with needles all the time. And it's been hard for him emotionally, too. He worries a lot. He wants me nearby. He's afraid that if he gets hurt at school, they won't know what to do to save his life. He realizes that he could die if he does something his momma told him not to do."

Even with his illness and an operation to remove a cyst in his jawbone, Brandon has managed to keep up with his schoolwork, despite missing 28 days of school last year. Although doctors believe that IPT is not hereditary, test results on the Strader's 7-year-old

son, Chase, show blood in his urine. They are watching him closely and hoping for the best.

The Straders have health insurance, but the added costs of hospitalization strained the family's finances to the point where they

have taken out a second mortgage on their home. In addition to medical expenses not covered by insurance, they must find money to pay for dozens of trips to and from an out-of-town hospital, paying for extra gasoline and meals



Brandon Strader

away from home. They buy extra books, crayons and games to keep Brandon occupied during the long hours he is hooked up to an IV pole. Jerry, who works with National Textiles in Eden, has taken a number of unpaid work days to be with Page and Brandon while Brandon is hospitalized. During tax season, Page prepares income tax returns. The rest of the year, she spends all of her time caring for the boys.

The Straders are very grateful for assistance from the Benevolent Fund, which paid the remainder of Brandon's bill after insurance claims were paid.

"I want to thank everyone for their help," Page said. "Without it, there would have been a lot more stress on us than we already had. It came at a good time, and we really needed it. I think the fund is a great thing. It's hard to make ends meet when everybody is well. You never think something like this is going to happen to you, and when it does, it takes everything you've got."

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Allen makes the best of challenges that life has thrown him

King Man Beats the Odds

Allen Sauvageau (pronounced savah-joe) has made the best of the challenges that life has thrown him. A North Carolina native, his name originates in France, where Sauvageau means "wild water." The name seems to suit the man whose courageous spirit runs strong and deep.



Allen Sauvageau

Sauvageau was born with spina bifida, which has sent him to the hospital more than 100 times during the past 30 years, the span of his life. Spina bifida is a congenital defect in the walls of the spinal canal caused by a lack of union between the vertebrae. Because every nerve ending in the body originates from the spine, spinal problems cause severe malfunction in the body's vital organs.

As a newborn, Sauvageau underwent surgery to close his spinal column: That surgery resulted in hydrocephalus, an accumulation of fluid in the brain. When he was just three weeks old, doctors inserted a shunt to drain the fluid into his stomach. Despite his health problems, he learned to walk; but when he was two years old, he dislocated his hip and lost the use of his legs.

Scoliosis surgery, performed on him when he was 10, stunted his growth. He has reoccurring kidney stones, ostomy and bowel problems. When he scraped his toe several years ago, the sore became infected and doctors amputated

the toe. Chronic urinary tract infections have kept him hospitalized for as much as seven months at a time, and his body constantly runs a low-grade infection,

pays up to 80 percent, but that still leaves a lot of money owed."

Just after Christmas, a perforated colon landed him in the Intensive Care Unit for several days.

Although his life has been filled with challenges, Sauvageau refuses to lose hope.

"To me, life is life," he said. "This is

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"The Benevolent Care Fund really did help a lot. I just didn't have the money."***

which flares up several times year. He is resistant to most antibiotics.

Still, he keeps a sense of humor.

"I've been at Baptist Hospital so many times, I feel like I own the North Tower," he said recently. "I want my name on the door of one of the rooms. I want to decorate it and have a key to it."

Sauvageau, who lives in King, N.C., recently lost his full-time job when the student loan agency he worked for closed down. He is currently job-hunting and hopes to find an employer who can make allowances for the inevitable absences due to his illness.

"Luckily, in the last 12 years I've had some really good bosses," he said. "They've understood that I sometimes have to leave to go to the hospital. They don't like it but they deal with it." Sauvageau has applied to work in the admissions department of several hospitals. He likes meeting new people and likes to help people.

Last year, he asked Baptist Hospital for assistance with his bills, and received help from the Benevolent Care Fund.

"I asked for help, and the remainder of my bill was paid," he said. "The Benevolent Care Fund really did help a lot. I just didn't have the money. There have been several times that I have had \$100,000 hospital bills. The insurance company

the hand that I was dealt, and I'm going to play it to the best of my ability. I live and learn. There have been times I've wanted to say, 'This is it, I give up.' But I've got a great foundation in my friends, family, co-workers, and my friends at the hospital. It keeps me from giving up."

Sauvageau has set two personal goals for himself. He wants to find a sponsor



Photograph by Sean Considine

Allen Sauvageau keeps his hopes up

and become a wheelchair racer. And he has a very special dream.

"Before I turn 40, I want to take a hot air balloon ride."

Ministry 2000: Media Libraries

State Media Library Workshop, May 15-17

The annual North Carolina Baptist Church Media Library Workshop will be held at the NC Baptist Assembly (Caswell) in **Southport** on May 15-17. "Ministry 2000: Media Libraries...Ministry to Youth/Adults" will feature workshops on media library administration, facility space and furnishings, starting a new library, promotion, understanding today's youth, and more.

Conference leaders will be Baptist Sunday School Board Consultants Beth Andrews, Arlington, Texas; Rita Kirkland, Euless, Texas; and Hope Winter, Ruston, Louisiana.

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October 16-17

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Christian Life Week

NC Baptist Assembly (Caswell)

What does it mean to be Christ-like? How can we reflect Christ to our world? How can we be good neighbors in the midst of growing diversity? Find the answers at Christian Life Week on June 1-5 at NC Baptist Assembly (Caswell) in **Southport**. Designed for laypersons, pastors, senior adults, and church staff who are responsible for family ministries, Christian education, and ministry with older adults, this event combines a variety of activities and interest groups with community worship and plenty of free time.

Choose from several tracks of study which focus on varying aspects of diversity, reconciliation, cooperation, and hospitality. Participate in community worship as we celebrate our faith each morning and evening. Your afternoons will be free for leisure, study, conversation, and crafts.

Our worship leader will be Ed Kilbourne, a folksinger, storyteller, and theologian from Rock Hill, SC. Program leaders for Christian Life Week include Robert Parham, director of the Baptist Center for Ethics in Nashville, Tennessee; Ed Christman, university chaplain at Wake Forest University in Winston-Salem; Mel Williams, pastor of Watts Street Church in Durham; and Janice Odom, director of the Freshman Program at North Carolina State University in Raleigh.

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Evangelism Conference

For Single Adults

The annual Single Adult Evangelism Conference will be held June 12-14 at NC Baptist Assembly (Caswell) in **Southport**, beginning at 9 p.m. on Friday and ending before lunch on Sunday.

Conference features include small group seminars, special music concerts, worship services, and recreation. Guest leaders will be Nelson Searcy, Evangelism Division; The Evangels and Witness, summer ministries teams; Act 2, drama team; and Keith Deltano, humorist.

Cost is \$70 per person (includes two nights' lodging, meals, and materials). Deadline for registration is June 1.

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YOUTH EVANGELISM EVENTS

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Training Summer Youth Ministers

May 31–June 4 / Meredith

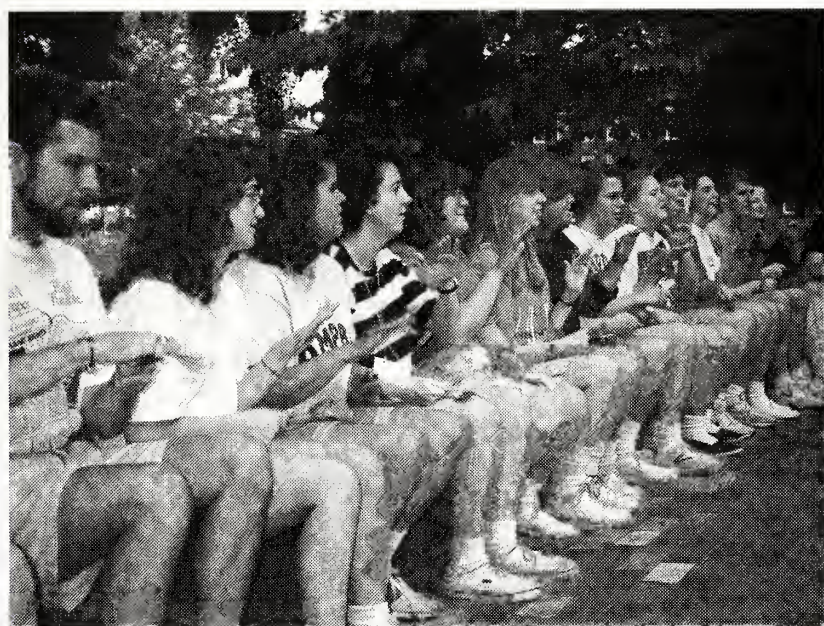
Training for summer youth ministers — college students and others who will be employed by churches in the summer of 1998 to serve as youth ministers — will be offered May 31–June 4 at Meredith College, **Raleigh**, as part of the regular Student Summer Ministries Orientation program.

Youth minister training will feature practical seminars on all aspects of ministry with teenagers

and children. The week will also include daily worship, Bible study, and fellowship activities.

Cost is \$175 (includes four nights' lodging, all meals, resource notebook, and other program fees). Please register by May 5, 1998.

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Learning games for children — Student Summer Missions Orientation, Meredith College

Youth Ministry Lab

Valuable Leader's Resource

"I always go home renewed and inspired to serve the Lord and our teenagers. Everything I attended will help me with our church's new youth ministry."

If you work with teenagers in youth ministry, this event is for you. At the Youth Ministry Lab on May 15–17 at Meredith College, **Raleigh**, more than 150 seminars will be offered on adolescent development and behavior, basics of youth ministry, working with volunteers, youth in crisis, recreation, evangelism, and more.

Featured guests will be Richard Ross, national youth ministry consultant; Allen Jackson, youth ministry professor at New Orleans Theological Seminary; Kyle Matthews, musician; and Jeff Smith, creative worship specialist. Cost is only \$55 which includes lodging, meals, notebook, and program fee. Register by May 1.

For more information or a registration form, check the appropriate item on the back page or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 312 or 311 or ajohnso@bscnc.org or hmelton@bscnc.org.

Western NC Youth Conference

July 6–11, Mars Hill College

A week-long youth conference, similar in format to the weeks held each summer at NC Baptist Assembly (Caswell), is scheduled for July 6–11 at **Mars Hill College**. Features include creative and dynamic worship services, Bible study, recreation, fellowship, and mission projects for grades 6–12.

Recreation facilities at Mars Hill College, including an Olympic-size swimming pool, tennis and racquetball courts, basketball, soccer, and softball, will be available.

Cost is \$150 (suite) or \$145 (bath on hall) which includes room, meals, and conference fees.

Registration is open March 1 and should be made with the Office of Continuing Education, Mars Hill College, Mars Hill, NC 28754.

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Ridgecrest-Sept. 25-27, 1998

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Winston-Salem-Nov. 9-11, 1998

Baptist Men's Convention
Greensboro-Jan. 29-30, 1999

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A meeting will also be held in South Carolina on January 18-22, 1999 at North Spartanburg First Church, **Spartanburg**, South Carolina.

For additional locations, dates, and information on FAITH, contact the Pastor/Staff Leadership Department of the Sunday School Board at (800) 254-2022.

Family Conference

September 25-26

Strong families are becoming more and more rare in America today. You can help their numbers grow by encouraging your church families to attend the Building Stronger Families Conference on September 25-26 hosted by Brookwood Church, **Burlington**. Workshop leaders, Dr. and Mrs. William Mitchell, authors of (Building Stronger Families), will lead this study designed specifically for those seeking to strengthen their family relationships and church leaders interested in strengthening families in their church.

Register today by mailing a non-refundable registration fee of \$10 per person (maximum \$40 per family) to the Laity Leadership Team, Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, P.O. Box 1107, Cary, NC 27512. After September 15, registration will be \$15 per person.

For more information, contact Brookwood Church at (336) 228-7479 or tallmon@bscnc.org. You can also visit our web site at www.bscnc.org/ld.

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Ridgecrest September 11-12

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First Place Conference

August 7-8

Register today for this summer's First Place Conference on August 7-8 at First Church, **Hendersonville**. Leaders include Carol Lewis and Kay Smith, authors of First Place Resources, and Branda Polk, First Place specialist at the Baptist Sunday School Board. Choose from 22 small group seminars and enjoy music, worship, fellowship, and First Place meals. The conference will be held Friday

from 8 a.m.-8 p.m. and Saturday from 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Cost is \$65 per person and includes meals and workshop fee.

To register, mail your check (non-refundable) before July 24 to Tisha Allmond, Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, P.O. Box 1107, Cary, NC 27512.

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Trilogy Conference: Henry Blackaby, T.W. Hunt, And Robertson McQuilkin

August 31–September 1 at Hickory Grove Church, Charlotte

Learn more about the trilogy from the experts! A Trilogy Conference will be held at Hickory Grove Church, **Charlotte**, on August 31–September 1. Guest speakers include Henry Blackaby, T.W. Hunt, and Robertson McQuilkin, authors of *Experiencing God*, *The Mind of Christ* and *Life in the Spirit*. Join us for exciting worship, teaching, and discipleship workshops which will

include overviews of (Watchman Prayer Ministry, Thine is the Kingdom, Disciples Prayer Life, Fresh Encounter, Experiencing God, The Mind of Christ, Life in the Spirit, When God Speaks, In God's Presence, Meeting Needs Sharing Christ, MasterLife, The Man God Uses, and Building Stronger Families.

The conference will be held Monday from 5:30–9 p.m. and

Tuesday from 9 a.m.–4 p.m. The conference is free, but lunch reservations (\$5 per person) must be made seven days in advance by calling the Baptist Building at ext. 202.

For more information, contact the Baptist Building at ext. 202 or 207 or tallmon@bscnc.org. You can also visit our web site at www.bscnc.org/lld.

Deacon Ministry Resources

Audio and Video Materials Available

Audio and video programmed learning packets are available on topics such as "Activating an Apathetic Church," "Growing Churches/Growing Deacons," "The Emerging Role of Deacons," "Leading the Church into the Future," and "Create a Process of

Change for the Church." For more information or to place an order, see the order form on the last page of this issue or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 202 or tallmon@bscnc.org. You may also preview this material on our web site at www.bscnc.org/lld.

Hymnals For Ukraine

Campaign Ends In August

You still have time to involve your church choir members in missions. The Ukraine hymnal campaign, "You Can Put a Song in Another's Heart," will close at the end of August.

The Music and Worship Team of the Baptist State Convention, along with church musicians from across North Carolina, are working together to provide hymnals for Ukrainian Baptists. To date, Baptists have contributed \$30,000 toward the publication; but a balance of \$58,000 remains.

All choir members (children,

youth, adults, senior adults, handbell players, instrumentalists) are encouraged to give \$3.50, the cost of one Ukrainian hymnal. See how many hymn books your choirs can provide! Music directors are asked to collect the money and send in one check (made payable to the Baptist State Convention) to the Music and Worship Team, Baptist State Convention, P.O. Box 1107, Cary, NC 27512.

For more information, contact the Baptist Building at ext. 217 or bcanter@bscnc.org.

Deacon Ministry

Guidebook available

Want to educate your congregation about the biblical role of deacons? Looking for a way to clarify expectations of deacons? Need help in making the ordination a meaningful and educational experience for everyone? If so, there is a guidebook available for you.

Interactive and filled with practical suggestions for Bible study and dialogue sessions with the congregation, this resource helps you prepare your congregation before deacons nominations and elections even occur. Cost is \$5, and you can preview the material on our web site at www.bscnc.org/lld. To purchase a guidebook, send a check made out to the Baptist State Convention to the Laity Leadership Team, Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, P.O. Box 1107, Cary, NC 27512.

For more information, contact the Baptist Building at ext. 209 or ehammet@bscnc.org.

Making The Church Work (Seminar For Deacons And Church Leaders)

October 16-17, Baptist Assembly (Caswell)

Eddie Hammett, deacon consultant for the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina and author of *Making the Church Work*, will direct a conference for church leaders on October 16-17 at the NC Baptist Assembly (Caswell) in **Southport**.

Packed with inspirational and encouraging contemporary worship, corporate learning, interest group dialogues, and practical information for ministry, *"Making the Church Work: Converting the Church for the 21st*

Century" will help churches confront the issues facing them in the next century.

Two pre-session seminars entitled "Strengthening Marriages," led by Karl Babb, Family Ministry director for the Southern Baptist Convention, and "Ministering to Today's and Tomorrow's Families," led by David Walley, minister of Pastoral Care at Hendersonville Church (TN), will be held on October 16 from 2:30-5 p.m. at Caswell.

Registration begins July 1. Cost

is \$48.25 per person or \$25 per person for commuters. Register by mailing your check made out to the Baptist State Convention for the total amount of all those attending. Include their names for making room assignments and mail to Caswell, 100 Caswell Beach Road, Oak Island, NC 28465. Registrations are non-refundable after September 1.

For more information, contact the Baptist Building at ext. 202 or tallmon@bscnc.org.

Jesus On Leadership

Seminar for Deacons and Church Leaders

Interested in small group training for practical servanthood in today's church and world? Ready for a challenge to greater effectiveness? Looking for fellowship and inspirational worship? The "Jesus on Leadership" conference to be held October 9-10 at Caraway Conference Center in **Asheboro**, will be led by Chris Johnson from the Baptist Sunday School Board.

Small group seminars, including "Today's and Tomorrow's Family," "The Broken and Blended Family," "Strengthening Your Church Through the Deacon Ministry," and "Churches in Transition," will be guided by a state deacon consultant to help churches of various sizes and circumstances.

A pre-session seminar entitled "Strengthening Marriages" will be held on October 9 from 2:30-5

p.m. at Caraway and will be lead by Karl Babb, Family Ministry director for the Southern Baptist Convention.

Registration begins July 1. Cost is \$51.25 per person (double occupancy), \$62 per person (single occupancy), and \$28 for commuters. Register by mailing your check made out to the Baptist State Convention for the total amount of all those attending. Include their names for making room assignments and mail the above to the Laity Leadership Team, Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, P.O. Box 1107, Cary, N C 27512. Registrations are non-refundable after September 1.

For more information, contact the Baptist Building at ext. 202 or tallmon@bscnc.org.

Bible Drill Speakers' Tournament

New Materials

The Bible Drill/Speakers' Tournament Update Training will be held on October 26 and 27 at 7 p.m. at the following four locations:

Oct. 26—(Area Church) **Raleigh Association** and (Area Church) **Caldwell Association**.

Oct. 27—Glorieta Church, **Cabarrus Association** and Creech Memorial Church, **West Chowan Association**.

During the training, new 1998-1999 resources will be reviewed and available for leaders to examine.

For more information, contact the Baptist Building at ext. 219 or lmccoy@bscnc.org.



Christian Money Management Conference

October 19-21, Caraway

The gap between the "haves" and the "have-nots" in America is growing. There is no better time for the church to assist people to become wise managers and good stewards of their finances.

Christian Money Management's objective is to assist people directly and equip them to assist others. Our goal is to help them get a direction, focus on how to get out of debt, show them how they can give more, help them find efficient living costs, and direct them toward investment vehicles for increasing wealth.

Christian Money Management also helps churches understand how they can minister to persons

through the use of their money. By knowing a plan and how to share that plan, we find ourselves able to minister and offer assistance in an important area of everyone's lives.

Conference topics include how to set up a plan for success, factors in reducing debt, how to make money work for you, how much insurance is needed, retirement and estate planning, helping teach children, and much more. Cost is \$50 per couple. Mail your registrations to Ken Batts, P.O. Box 1107, Cary, NC 27512.

For more information, contact the Baptist Building at ext. 205 or kbatts@bscnc.org.

Baptist All-State Youth Choir

Begins In Summer 1999

Next summer, North Carolina Baptists will inaugurate the first Baptist All-State Youth Choir in our state. An eleven-member All-State Planning team, made up of ministers of music and a pastor, have worked diligently for a year, putting the final touches on this milestone for youth choir work in North Carolina.

The All-State Youth Choir's mission is to support and encourage youth choir ministry in North Carolina churches by offering worship through performance opportunities, musical development, and leadership development while striving for excellence in musicianship.

The Baptist All-State Youth Choir will consist of 80 talented and highly motivated youth who

have completed 9th-12th grades. Youth must be active participants in their youth choir and church and must audition and be recommended by their pastor and music director. Auditions will be held in the early spring in 10 regions across the state.

On July 25-28, 1999, rehearsals will be held at **Wingate University**. From July 28-August 1, 1999, the choir will present concerts in churches and other institutions throughout North Carolina. Cost will be approximately \$300-\$325 per member.

More information about auditions, guest directors, and updates from the planning team will be available in the next *Church Leader*.

North Carolina Singers

How To Join

Every year, 150 members of North Carolina Baptist Singers support the ministry of the local church by presenting concerts throughout the state as well as leading in worship at the Baptist State Convention.

The NC Baptist Singers is comprised of full-time ministers of music, spouses of NC Baptist Singers, and, by audition only, part-time and bivocational female music directors, organists, and/or pianists. Women who want to audition may call the Baptist State Convention Music and Worship Team for an audition form. Auditions are by cassette tape.

The Singers also include the North Carolina Baptist Wind and Brass Ensemble which is open to NC Baptist Singers who play instruments.

The new season begins with a retreat on September 21-22 at Caraway Conference Center in Asheboro.

For more information about joining the Singers, check the appropriate item on the back page or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 217 or bcanter@bscnc.org.



Music Leadership

Training Retreats

"It was a wonderful spiritual time with music training." "I got great ideas for enhancing congregational singing." "The choral reading session helped me find music for my church."

Whether you are a volunteer or bivocational music director, volunteer organist or pianist, or volunteer preschool/children's choir worker from a mission, small membership, or large membership church, this retreat is for you. Music Leadership Training Retreats will be held at Caraway Conference Center in **Asheboro** on September 11-12 and October 2-3. Each year, more than 250 music directors, both volunteer and bivocational, pianists, organists, and preschool/children's choir workers attend the September and October retreats.

Cost for either retreat is \$45 per person for double occupancy which includes camp user fee, lodging, meals, and the program fee. Commuter cost is \$17 per person and includes camp user and the program fee. Meals are additional.

An insider tip: The October retreat fills up quickly while the September retreat usually has room for more participants. You can help by choosing to attend the September retreat.

For more information, check the appropriate item on the back page or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 217 or bcanter@bscnc.org.

Instrumental Workshop

New Event

The 1998 Instrumental Workshop is a new event to be held on September 25-26 at Grove Park Church, **Burlington**. This workshop is designed to sharpen the skills of church orchestral musicians and to broaden their understanding of sacred instrumental literature. There will also be performance opportunities in praise band (assembled on Friday night according to the number of people registering) and church orchestra (80-100 people). Our guest director is Jim Gray, praise band and orchestra director for First Church, Franklin, Tennessee. Master classes will also be provided for each instrumental family.

The workshop begins with the praise band at 6:30 p.m. on Friday and the orchestra at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday. All praise band players will be in the orchestra on Saturday. The workshop concludes on Saturday with a concert at 3 p.m.

A \$10 fee per person for music must accompany registration forms. Each participant is responsible for their own lodging. Mail forms to the Music and Worship Team, Baptist State Convention, P.O. Box 1107, Cary, NC 27512 by August 1, 1998.

For more information, check the appropriate item on the back page or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 217 or bcanter@bscnc.org.

Senior Adult Choir Festival

OCTOBER 5-6

**Western Avenue Church,
Statesville**

Bob Woolley, comedian, composer, and former state music secretary for the Missouri Baptist Convention, will be the festival clinician. A registration form is located in the 1998 Music and Worship Ministries Booklet. Registration fees (\$40 per choir, plus \$3 per singer) are due by September 1.

For more information, check the appropriate item on the back page or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 217 or bcanter@bscnc.org.

"Ready, Set, Grow"

Annual CWE Conference

Looking for new ideas and encouragement for your church's weekly child care workers? The 1998 Annual CWE Conference, "Ready, Set, Grow" will be held on July 25 at Grey Stone Church in **Durham**. Designed for directors and teachers of Parent's Morning Out, weekday preschool, day care, and school-age child care, this event features workshops on child development, curriculum, and professionalism as well as individual topics such as discipline and craft projects.

The keynote speaker will be Ann Parnell, executive director of the Texas Baptist Church Weekday Education Association. The

conference will train and encourage leaders of church weekday programs to help young children grow

spiritually as well as socially, physically, and cognitively. Attenders will earn five contact hour credits from the N.C. Child Day Care Services.

For more information, contact the Baptist Building at ext. 223 or jivey@bscnc.org.



Ann Parnell



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Senior Adult Conferences

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These popular conferences have been held for more than 20 years at Caraway Conference Center in **Asheboro**. This year there will be three conferences, each featuring Bible study, worship, and fellowship centering on the theme "Making the Most of the Time." Each conference begins with supper on the first day and ends with lunch on the third day.

Dates and guest speakers are: October 5-7 with Jack Causey, pastor of First Church, Statesville; and October 12-14 and October 14-16 with Tony Cartledge, pastor of Woodhaven Church, Apex.

Cost is \$81 per person based on double occupancy and private bath.

For more information, contact the Baptist Building at ext. 402 or dmoore@bscnc.org.

1999 Senior Adult Convention

Art Linkletter, Squire Parsons

"Celebrating Our Faith, Affirming Our Future" will be the theme of a special Baptist Senior Adult Convention, Apr. 26-28, Special Events Center in the **Greensboro** Coliseum.

Program personalities will include Art Linkletter, radio and TV celebrity, Squire Parsons, gospel singer; Mark Lowry, comedian and singer; and the N.C. Baptist Singers.

Cost is \$40 per person, plus motel and meals.

For more information contact the Baptist Building at ext. 402, or dmoore@bscnc.org.

Baptist Student Covention

September 25-27

The 69th Baptist Student Convention will be held at Ridgecrest Conference Center in **Ridgecrest** on



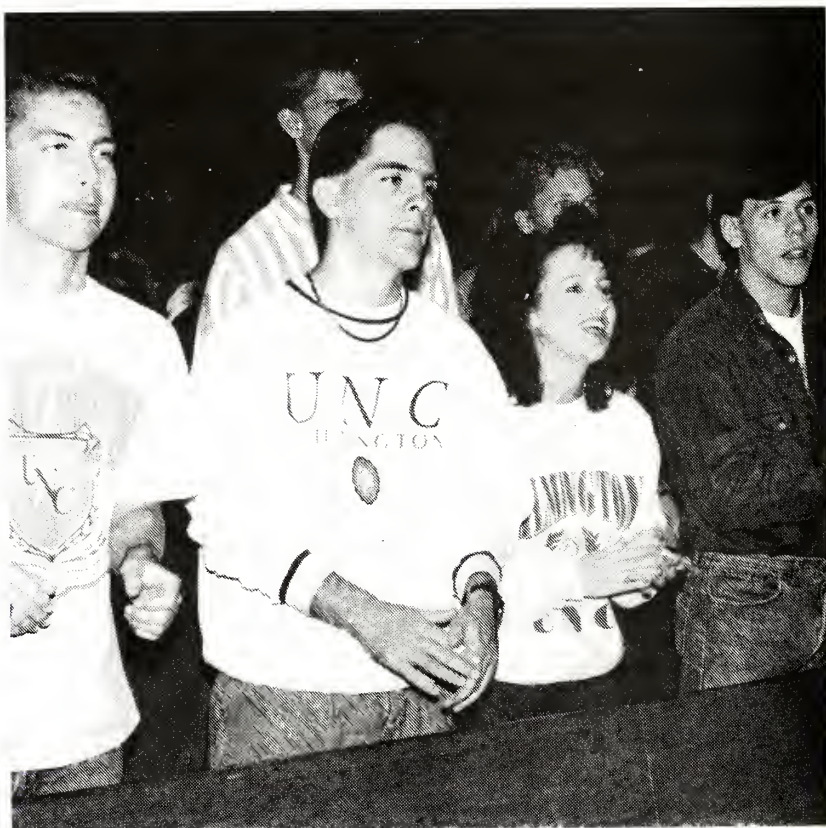
Bill Leonard

September 25-27. This is a unique weekend filled with opportunities for fellowship, inspiration, and education and is designed for all college and university students from both church and campus groups in North Carolina. Special guests include: The Healing Force musical group, Bill Leonard, dean of The Divinity School of Wake Forest University, and

representatives from seminaries and mission boards.

Cost is \$64 per person which includes lodging, four meals, and the program fee.

For more information check the appropriate item on the back page or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 319 or vferrel@bscnc.org.



"Curtain Call"

Creative Ministries Festival

The 1998 Curtain Call Creative Ministries Festival will be held at Pritchard Memorial Church in **Charlotte** on October 9-11. Led by "The Company" drama team from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, and other talented artists, the festival will feature training sessions and performances in drama, puppetry, clown ministry, sign language, interpretative movement, storytelling, and more.

Cost is \$40 per person which includes the conference fee, ice cream fellowship, and dinner theater on Saturday evening. Lodging and other meals are not included.

For a brochure and registration information, check the appropriate item on the back page or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 311 or hmelton@bscnc.org.

Youth Ministry Council

Planning Retreat

Does your youth council need time away to evaluate its ministry program, set purposeful priorities and goals, and establish a ministry calendar and budget for the coming year?

Members of local church youth ministry councils are encouraged to attend a planning retreat at the NC Baptist Assembly (Caswell) in **Southport** on September 19-20.

This retreat will feature large group training, individual council planning sessions, personal quiet time, and creative worship.

Cost is \$43 per person which includes lodging, meals, and program fee.

For more information, check the appropriate item on the back page or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 311 or hmelton@bscnc.org.

Continuing Witness Training

August 28-30

Want to share your faith with others but you aren't sure what to say or where to start? Continuing Witness Training (CWT) seminar is designed to teach Christians how to share their faith and is an ongoing process for training personal witnesses. This "new" approach seminar will be held August 28-30 at Patterson Springs Church, Shelby. Seminars give participants an overview of the CWT process and allows them to

experience the dynamics of the program in a local church. The new approach allows memorization and certification to be done at the seminar or on your local church field following the training sessions.

Cost is \$50 per person.

Deadline to register for the conference is August 21.

For more information, check the appropriate item on the back page or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 447 or nsearcy@bscnc.org.

Celebrate 2000

Evangelism Booklet Available

Need a new evangelism resource for witnessing to your community? The Evangelism Division has a full-color gospel booklet, called Celebrate 2000, available. Designed with a secular audience in mind, this attractive booklet challenges unbelievers with the changes that will be occurring in the next millennium and offers clear direction about how they can prepare. Divided into four sections—Celebrate Family, Celebrate Technology, Celebrate Change, and Celebrate Jesus—this booklet is perfect for saturation

evangelism, lifestyle evangelism, and direct evangelism. Unbelievers are challenged to make a decision for Christ and are given the opportunity to request free Bible study materials.

To order three free copies of this booklet or to receive ordering information, check the appropriate item on the back page, or send your name, mailing address, and email address to nsearcy@bscnc.org, or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 447. Additional booklets are available in packs of 50 for \$5.



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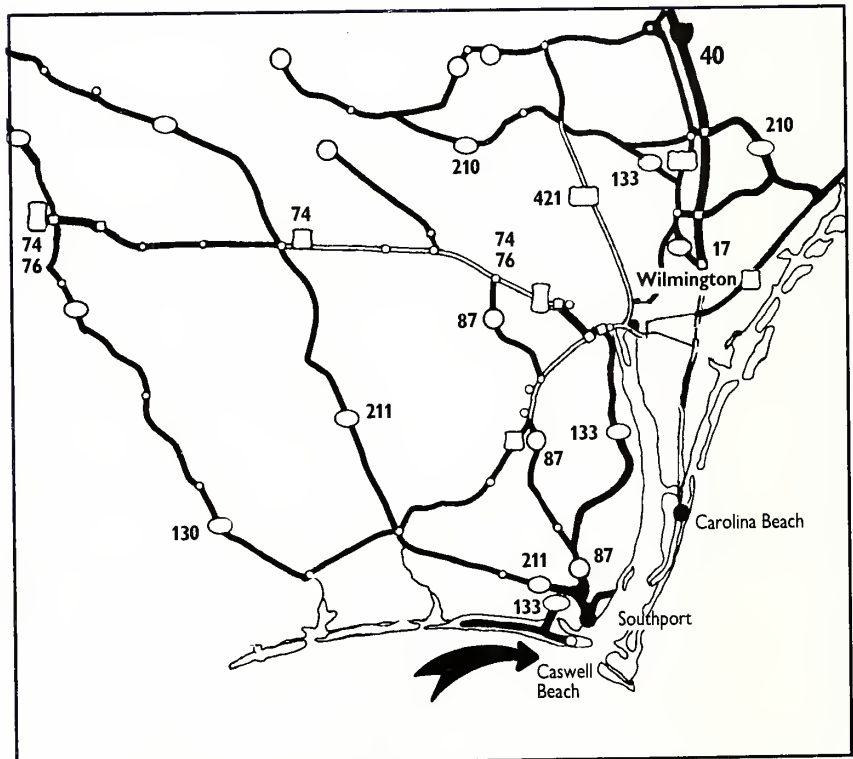


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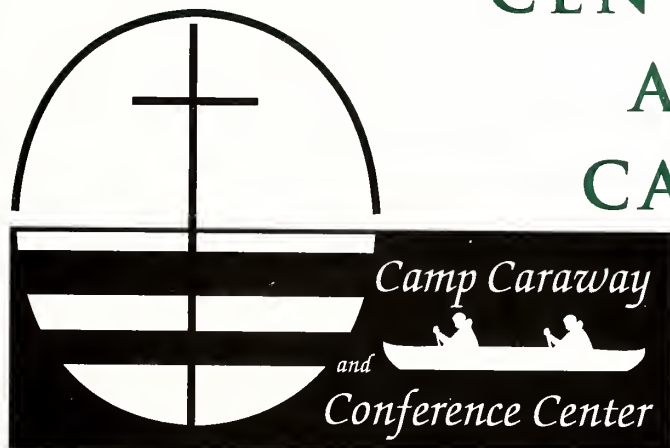
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Registration Information

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(On or before August 14) (From August 14– Sept. 4)

A. Per Person with Private Bath:			
Single:	\$87.50		\$92.50
Double:	\$63.75		\$68.75
Triple:	\$58.00		\$63.00
Quad:	\$55.25		\$60.25
B. Per Person with Bath on Hall:			
Single:	\$62.00		\$67.00
Double:	\$50.25		\$55.25
Triple:	\$49.25		\$54.25
Quad:	\$48.25		\$53.25
C. Commuters—\$19.50 (plus meals) on or before August 14.			
\$24.75 after August 14.			

Breakfast—\$5.25;
Lunch—\$6.50;
Dinner—\$8.00

II. Registration—Complete the registration for Equipping Today's Church and mail completed form with **all monies to Ridgecrest Conference Center**, P.O. Box 128, Ridgecrest, NC 28770. **Registrations will be accepted on a first come basis.** A waiting list will be established after on-campus housing is filled with priority given to earliest requests for housing. (Some have been turned away in previous years!) **All monies are refundable for cancellations made on or before August 28, 1998.** Cancellations made after August 28 will forfeit \$19.75 per person.

N.C. BAPTIST ASSEMBLY (CASWELL) — OCTOBER 2-3, 1998

Registration Information

I. Costs—Program Fee, Room, 3 Meals (Please note there is a price break for registering on or before September 4, 1998.)

- A. \$50 per person (includes Seafood Buffet on Friday) for registrations postmarked or called in on or before September 4. \$55 per person for registrations postmarked or called in after September 4 with registration deadline of September 25.
- B. Commuters—\$16 per person (plus meals) for registrations postmarked or called in on or before September 4. \$21 per person after September 4.

Breakfast—\$4.50;
Lunch—\$5.50;
Seafood Buffet Dinner—\$9.50

II. Registration—Complete the registration information for NC Baptist Assembly **and mail with all monies to N.C. Baptist Assembly**, 100 Caswell Beach Road, Oak Island, NC 28465. Total number of conferees limited to 475 with lodging based on earliest postmarks. **All monies are refundable for cancellations made on or before September 4.**

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RIDGECREST SCHEDULE—SEPTEMBER 11–12, 1998

FRIDAY

5:00 p.m.	Dinner
6:15–6:45 p.m.	General Session
7:00–8:00 p.m.	Session 1
8:30–9:30 p.m.	Session 2

SATURDAY

7:00 a.m.	Breakfast
8:15– 9:15 a.m.	Session 3
9:15– 9:45 a.m.	Move/Refreshments
9:45–10:45 a.m.	Session 4
10:45–11:15 a.m.	Move/Refreshments
11:15–12:15 p.m.	Session 5
12:15 p.m.	Lunch

Title	Session	Leader
PRESCHOOL		
Basics for Preschool Leaders <i>Preschool leaders will explore their responsibilities, learn ways to teach preschoolers effectively and evaluate their teaching environment.</i>	1–2 (cont'd)	Cathy Hopkins
Group Time for Preschoolers <i>Experience a meaningful group time session for preschoolers.</i>	4	Sandra Montague
Guiding Preschoolers in their Understanding of God <i>Preschoolers are literal-minded. Learn ways to teach God's love.</i>	2 & 5	Cindy Lumpkin
Having an Effective Mission Friends Organization in My Church <i>Hear an overview of the Mission Friends program, what happens in a Mission Friends meeting, and the resources to help.</i>	2	Julie Bates & Alice Bates
Let's Make Music <i>Preschool leaders will explore a variety of musical teaching opportunities to enhance learning about God.</i>	3	Cathy Hopkins
Ministry Through Extended Teaching Care (Extended Session) <i>Discover the importance of quality teaching during ETC.</i>	2 & 3	Sandra Montague
Partnering with Parents: Ministry to the Home <i>Conference will help teachers partner with parents in the spiritual nurturing of their children as they work together to impact the child's life.</i>	4	Pam Wilson
Preschool Division and Department Directors: Motivation, Enlistment, Team Building <i>Interact with other directors to enhance communication and leadership skills.</i>	1–2 (cont'd)	Pam Wilson
Preschool Music <i>Working with preschoolers in music and moving activities.</i>	5	Susan Ward
Preschool Teachers Wanna Know <i>Bring questions/ideas about preschool work to share in an open forum with other preschool leaders.</i>	4	Cathy Hopkins
Teaching Younger Preschoolers <i>It's important to have quality teaching experiences for younger preschoolers. Explore various teaching techniques and their value for younger preschoolers.</i>	3	Pam Wilson
Using Books with Preschoolers <i>Experience the joy and learn the value of choosing and using books appropriate for preschoolers at home or church.</i>	1 & 5	Sandra Montague
Who Used Our Glue? <i>Conference will examine creative ways that resources/rooms can be shared among the different organizations of the church.</i>	5	Pam Wilson

Who Cares? Teaching Older Preschoolers to Care <i>Discover ways to help older preschoolers develop caring attitudes.</i>	3	Cindy Lumpkin
Wise Choices: Teaching Decision-Making with Older Preschoolers <i>Is there a learning process for making good decisions? Come look at the possibilities.</i>	1	Cindy Lumpkin
Protecting Our Preschoolers and Children <i>Gain knowledge and understanding of legal issues that will effect your preschool and children's ministry.</i>	4	Cindy Lumpkin
TeamKid for Preschoolers and Children <i>Experience a fun-filled, action-packed Bible club for children (3's-5's and 1st-6th grades) to help them deal with issues related to their everyday life.</i>	3	Jan Marler

CHILDREN

A Dozen Ideas for Making "Large Group" Engaging <i>There are many ways to make group time exciting and interesting every Sunday. This will explore a "baker's dozen" ideas which a teacher can use for months to come.</i>	4	Gail Ledbetter
Children Can Worship <i>Ideas will be offered for involving children in congregational worship services and for providing effective separate worship experiences for children.</i>	4	Janice Haywood
Children's Bible Drill <i>This conference will help leaders understand and implement this Bible Skills program in their church for children in grades 4-6.</i>	4	Lois McCoy
Children's Bible Drill, Youth Bible Drill, & Youth Speakers Tournament <i>This conference, designed for churches already using one or more of these programs, will share innovative ways to increase involvement and add excitement to their programs.</i>	3	Lois McCoy
Coed Missions Options Through WMU <i>The Adults On Mission, Youth On Mission, and Children in Action organizations will be described in this conference as well as resources to use. Helps will also be given on how to determine if a coed organization is best for doing missions in your church.</i>	1 & 3	Cara Lynn Croom
Demonstration of a Children's Sunday Morning <i>Experience an effective and exciting Sunday morning.</i>	3 & 5	Darrell Vandergriff
Developing Children's Bible Skills <i>Teachers will discover what skills should be learned at each age and how to develop Bible skills in fun and interesting ways.</i>	2 & 3	Allison Lairmore
Guiding Behavior of Children <i>Guidelines will be suggested for preventing behavior problems as well as for dealing with difficult behavior of children, ages 6-11.</i>	3 & 5	Janice Haywood
Having an Effective Girls in Action Organization in My Church <i>Hear an overview of the Girls in Action program, what happens in a Girls in Action meeting, and the resources to help.</i>	4	Alice Bates & Julie Bates
Helping Children Cope with Divorce <i>Explore the how-to's of starting a support group or individual study with children of divorce.</i>	2 & 5	Jan Marler
How Can I Continue to Grow While Teaching Children in Sunday School? <i>Teachers will explore ways to keep growing spiritually as well as to develop their skills in teaching children through various approaches to Bible study, teaching preparation and teacher training.</i>	3	Gail Ledbetter
How Do I "Care4 Kids?" <i>Teaching children in Sunday School involves caring about all children—the children present, the children absent, as well as children who are prospective members. This will explore ways busy teachers can "Care4Kids."</i>	1 & 4	Allison Lairmore

How to Teach So Children Can Understand <i>Teachers will explore how to teach children with different styles of learning and how to use words and concepts children can understand.</i>	1 & 4	Darrell Vandergriff
Introducing Bible Buddies <i>Conferees will explore a new Bible Skills resource for 2nd and 3rd graders.</i>	1	Jan Marler
Keys to a Successful Royal Ambassador Program <i>To help Royal Ambassador leaders achieve a fun and spiritually meaningful program for teaching missions education to boys in grades 1-6.</i>	2 & 3	Mark Abernathy
MissionKids: Coed Missions for Children <i>To introduce MissionKids, a coed missions program for children in grades 1-6.</i>	4	Mark Abernathy
Protecting our Preschoolers and Children <i>Gain knowledge and understanding of legal issues that will effect your preschool and children's ministry.</i>	4	Cindy Lumpkin
Success Tips for Children's Sunday School Division Directors <i>Practical help will be offered for division directors (persons who coordinate the work of three or more children's classes or departments).</i>	1-2 (cont'd)	Gail Ledbetter
Success Training for New Children's Sunday School Teachers (less than 2 years) <i>New Teachers will learn how to prepare to teach children, how to teach Bible Truths effectively, and how to involve children in Bible Study, prayer, and praise.</i>	1-2 (cont'd)	Janice Haywood
Talking with a Child About Conversion <i>Teachers will learn how a child's faith develops, how to teach evangelistically, and how to talk with a child about conversion.</i>	5	Gail Ledbetter
TeamKid for Preschoolers and Children <i>Experience a fun-filled, action-packed Bible club for children (3's-5's and 1st-6th grades) to help them deal with issues related to their everyday life.</i>	3	Jan Marler
Teaching Children to Give <i>Ideas for teaching children a lifestyle of stewardship of money, time, and talents will be explored.</i>	5	Allison Lairmore
The New Redesigned Children's Music Curriculum from the BSSB <i>See and learn how to use the newest children's music materials from the BSSB</i>	2	Susan Ward
Using Fun Songs, Hymns, and Choruses in Teaching <i>The use of music in teaching spiritual concepts, and obtaining the child's interest.</i>	1 & 3	Susan Ward
What Does the Room Teach the Children? <i>Since children learn from their environment, this will help teachers use the room to enhance and facilitate learning.</i>	2	Darrell Vandergriff
You Can Build Strong Families <i>Learn about Building Strong Families resources for parents and children that can help build character and foster a Godly home.</i>	4	Jan Marler

YOUTH

2000 Youth Evangelism Tools <i>O.K., so maybe not exactly 2000 tools, but we will look at a lot. Gain an overview of the tools and resources that you can use to train your youth to share their faith. Emphasis will also be placed on the mindset of today's unchurched youth.</i>	4	Nelson Searcy
A Model Bible Study <i>Conferees will participate in an actual Bible study using the 10 skills taught in sessions 3 & 4.</i>	5	Phil Stone
Challengers: Missions Education for Young Men <i>To help churches in providing missions education and involvement for 7-12 grade young men.</i>	5	Carl Collins

Challenging Youth Beyond the Basics <i>This conference will share practical ways to encourage youth to develop a deeper relationship with Christ, and to be involved in ministry.</i>	2 & 4	Paul Turner
Children's Bible Drill, Youth Bible Drill, & Youth Speakers Tournament <i>This conference, designed for churches already using one or more of these programs, will share innovative ways to increase involvement and add excitement to their programs.</i>	3	Lois McCoy
Coed Missions Options Through WMU <i>The Adults On Mission, Youth On Mission, and Children in Action organizations will be described in this conference as well as resources to use. Helps will also be given on how to determine if a coed organization is best for doing missions in your church.</i>	1 & 3	Cara Lynn Croom
CrossOver: Transition from High School to College <i>Provide resources and encouragement for youth leaders to focus on the transition of youth and the value of preparation for this task.</i>	3 & 4	Joe Clontz
Funtastic Fellowship for Teens <i>Fellowships help leaders really get to know their youth. This conference gives help in making fellowships funtastic.</i>	5	Phillippa Mathis
Get Organized for Ministry to Teens <i>How to's of getting organized in Youth Sunday School so you can do some real minister with teens.</i>	5	Gail Jackson
Having an Effective Acteens Organization in My Church <i>Hear an overview of the Acteens program, what happens in an Acteens meeting, and the resources to help.</i>	5	Alice Bates & Julie Bates
High Tech Youth Ministry Helps <i>We will look at several new software tools that youth ministers/leaders are going to just love!</i>	3 & 4	Hal Melton
Legal Issues in Youth Ministry <i>In today's litigation conscious world, the church must take a strong look at protecting itself and its children/youth. This conference will help you look at several topics to which we wish we didn't have to pay attention.</i>	1 & 5	Hal Melton
Millenials: How Can We Reach This Generation of Youth? <i>This conference will look at issues and social trends that are currently affecting youth ministry</i>	1 & 3	Paul Turner
Non-Stop Methods <i>Creative methods for Teaching teens.</i>	3 & 4	Michael Capps
Purposeful, Planned Youth Ministry <i>Youth Ministry that goes somewhere must have its sights fine tuned through use of good planning. We will look at mission statement, youth ministry council, annual planning/budgeting, and implementation through lead teams.</i>	2	Hal Melton
Re-Thinking Youth Christian Education <i>A look at cutting edge approaches to Youth Christian Education for the 21st Century.</i>	1-2 (cont'd)	Phil Stone
Ten Skills for Building a Better Bible Study for Teenagers <i>Ten skills to help the youth Sunday School teacher create a Bible study that involves youth.</i>	3 & 4	Phil Stone
Understanding and Ministering to Teenagers <i>A conference for the youth leader who really wants to make a difference in the lives of youth.</i>	3 & 4	Phillippa Mathis
Wild and Wacky Workers Meetings <i>How to's of making workers meeting worth having.</i>	5	Michael Capps
You've Got the Power to Change Lives of Teenagers. Do It! <i>Reaching and Witnessing to Teenagers.</i>	3 & 4	Gail Jackson
Youth Bible Drill and Youth Speaker's Tournament <i>This conference will explore how these programs can develop the Bible and witnessing skills of youth in the local church.</i>	5	Lois McCoy
Youth Mission Opportunities and Resources <i>Learn of various opportunities for involving youth in mission projects both at home and abroad.</i>	3 & 4	Jimmy Huffman

COLLEGE

CrossOver: Transition from High School to College <i>Provide resources and encouragement for youth leaders to focus on the transition of youth and the value of preparation for this task.</i>	3 & 4	Joe Clontz
Dialogue on College Student Ministry <i>This is for those who have ideas to share and/or are looking for some new ideas about ways to begin/improve college student ministry in their church.</i>	5	Joe Clontz
Ministry with Generation X <i>Gain an understanding of the mindset of Generation X and how you can effectively reach out to them through ministry and evangelism.</i>	5	Nelson Searcy
Understanding and Ministering To College Students <i>Give participants an overview of the developmental tasks of the 18-25 year old and ways to use existing and new church programs to reach this age group.</i>	1 & 2	Joe Clontz

ADULT

1998 Doctrine Study Overview <i>Thine Is The Kingdom overview.</i>	2	David Carter
1999 Church Budgeting <i>Understand how to construct a church budget that enhances giving, brings a proper balance to ministry needs, and helps the church accomplish its mission.</i>	1	Ken Batts & Larry Austin
Adult Class Leadership: The Key to a Strong Adult Sunday School Class <i>To explain the importance of adult class leaders and to encourage teachers to develop believers through effective enlistment and training of class leaders.</i>	1 & 2	Susie Smith
Adult Sunday School Work in Smaller Membership Churches <i>Adult Sunday School work in smaller member churches offers interesting challenges for leaders who desire excellence. Discover those essentials of excellence in adult Sunday School work in smaller member churches.</i>	3 & 4	Susie Smith
Applying Church Growth Principles in an Adult Sunday School Department & Class <i>Church growth principles can enhance our efforts to reach people for Christ. Learn how to apply these proven principles in adult Sunday departments and classes.</i>	1 & 2	Bob Williamson
Assimilating New Members <i>Provide practical ideas for assimilating new members into effective church life.</i>	1, 3, 5	Paul Anderson & Tom Quarels
Avoiding the "Saturday Night" Special! Planning to Teach Adults in Sunday School <i>Many teachers teach "poorly" because they plan "poorly." This conference will assist teachers with their planning skills as they develop an effective teaching/learning plan.</i>	4 & 5	Joe Collins
Breathing New Life into Worship <i>This explores ways we can engage the people of God in life-changing, vibrant, energizing worship which empowers Christians to live victoriously.</i>	1 & 5	Kenny Lamm
Christian Education Trends for 21st Century <i>Overview of Pratt's book: Facing Critical Issues in Christian Education.</i>	1-2 (cont'd)	Ron Pratt
Church Media Library Ministry (Ministry and Organization) <i>Conferees will study the concept of Church Media Library Ministry, its basic functions, tasks and methods to accomplish them and ideas for structuring a missions statement.</i>	1	Jeanne Tucker
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Church Media Library (Collection) <i>Conferees will write selection policy and discuss developing and maintaining a well-balanced library collection to fit the needs of your church.</i>	3	Jeanne Tucker

Church Media Library Ministry (Space, Services, Automation, Networking) <i>Where? Size? Layout?; How to support the educational ministry of the church; Changing technology—Computers? Networking? Conferees will discuss all of these important issues.</i>	4	Jeanne Tucker
Churches Helping People Manage Money <i>Develop church plans to help people understand how to relate to money, how to make Biblical decisions about spending money, and how to follow up for ongoing support.</i>	2	Ken Batts Larry Austin
Coed Missions Options Through WMU <i>The Adults On Mission, Youth On Mission, and Children in Action organizations will be described in this conference as well as resources to use. Helps will also be given on how to determine if a coed organization is best for doing missions in your church.</i>	1 & 3	Cara Lynn Croom
Coloring Outside the Lines in Adult Sunday School Work <i>"Business as usual" will not reach the masses of adults for Bible study. How can we encourage creativity, innovation, and risk taking for more effective adult Sunday School work?</i>	1	Joe Collins
Deacons Role in Church Growth <i>Understanding the Deacons Role in Church Growth in Today's Church.</i>	1, 3, 4	Ron Davis
Developing a Meaningful Men's Ministry in Your Church <i>To help churches develop a well rounded men's ministry, including spiritual development, missions involvement, and fellowship.</i>	1 & 3	Richard Brunson
Discipling in the Criminal Justice System (Overview) <i>Introduction to strategies and resources for discipling in the criminal justice system.</i>	1 & 5	Tom Turner
Discovering Gifts—Developing Worship Leaders <i>Discovering, encouraging, and empowering those in your congregational to use their gifts as worship leaders.</i>	4	Roger Ward
Evangelistic Preaching <i>Learn how to effectively prepare and present evangelistic sermons. Emphasis will be placed upon the biblical and theological foundations, as well as an examination of contemporary models.</i>	1	Nelson Searcy
Fundamentals for the Church Treasurer <i>Outline and clarify for the church treasurer fundamental principles and tasks of administering the church's money, valuable for new and experienced treasurers.</i>	3	Ken Batts & Larry Austin
Geodemographics IS NOT a Bad Word <i>Orientation for using demographic studies to plan more intelligent in evangelism and missions.</i>	3	Bob Watson
Getting a Truce with Time <i>To help participants to be better stewards of time and life.</i>	1 & 2	Fred McGehee
Giftedness and Leadership Roles in an Adult Sunday School Class <i>Every believer has been given at least one spiritual gift. How can I help my adult Sunday School members identify those gifts and utilize them for effective service through the Sunday School class?</i>	4 & 5	Bob Williamson
Growing a Disciple Making Church <i>Introduction to a 3-year process of growing a disciple making church through coaching of leaders and redesigning of educational ministry.</i>	2 & 4	Tom Quarels & Paul Anderson
Growing a Musical Church <i>Topics include: recruiting choir members, planning choir rehearsals, organizing the music ministry, selecting music, preparing for special events, building a sense of commitment among choir members, and worship planning.</i>	3-4 (cont'd)	Kenny Lamm
Growing Healthy Fellowship in the Church <i>To assist participants with ways to help their churches to develop relationships that are mutually supportive & redemptive.</i>	3 & 4	Fred McGehee
Hands On Mission Projects for the Local Church <i>Specific ways a church can do missions in their community and around the world.</i>	2 & 4	Lisa Chilson

Handyman/Disaster Recovery Ministry <i>Learn how to develop a handyman ministry in your church. Discussion will include possible projects and tools needed.</i>	4 & 5	Lyman Fisher
Having an Effective Women On Mission Organization <i>An overview of the Women On Mission organization as well as group options and resources will be given in this conference.</i>	2 & 4	Jan Lowe
How Can Adult Sunday School Classes Help in Times of Crises? <i>Crises invade the lives of everyone. Learn how adult Sunday School classes must be at the forefront in ministering to members and their families in these stressful times.</i>	4 & 5	Margie Williamson
How Should Adult Learning Styles Impact the Way I Teach? <i>Research in adult learning has revealed several preferred adult learning styles. What are these styles and how should they impact how I teach adults in Sunday School?</i>	1	Margie Williamson
I'm a New (Inexperienced) Adult Sunday School Teacher. What Do I Do? <i>To give new and inexperienced adult Sunday School teachers training in the basics for effective work in adult Sunday School.</i>	1-2 (cont'd)	Alan Raughton
Improving Music Reading <i>Learning the basics of music to help in song leading, choir directing, and worship planning.</i>	1	Roger Ward
Introduction to Conflict Resolution <i>An overview of a conflict resolution process available to churches along with an application on how relationships are best formed and continued.</i>	2 & 4	M. Wayne Oakes
Kingdom Growth Principles <i>Help for those looking for a map to church revitalization.</i>	4 & 5	Ron Pratt
Leading Discipleship in the Church <i>How to organize an effective discipleship ministry in the local church.</i>	5	David Carter
Make Learning Exciting for Adults by Using a Variety of Teaching Methods <i>Learning can be exciting for adults! By using a variety of teaching methods adult leaders can make learning both interesting and exciting for adults in Sunday School.</i>	2 & 3	Margie Williamson
Making the Church Work <i>Exploration of trends and issues impacting church effectiveness in the 21st century.</i>	2 & 3	Eddie Hammett
MasterLife Overview <i>Overview of Revised Masterlife discipleship curricula.</i>	1	David Carter
Ministry to the Homebound and Their Caregivers <i>The homebound and their caregivers are often "forgotten" by the church. Learn how to multiply your ministry opportunities with an intentional focus on homebound and their caregivers.</i>	1 & 3	K. Maurice Cooper
Ministry with Generation X <i>Gain an understanding of the mindset of Generation X and how you can effectively reach out to them through ministry and evangelism.</i>	5	Nelson Searcy
Ministry with Older Adults <i>Discovering and planning for programs and ministries among the senior adult population in your church. Should we get started, start over, overhaul, or fold the tents?</i>	3 & 4	David Moore
Ministry with Single Adults <i>Discover the many ways churches can touch the lives of single adults in your community.</i>	4 & 5	Ruth Murray
Overseas Mission Opportunities <i>To learn of various opportunities for short-term missions involvement around the world.</i>	2 & 4	Richard Brunson
Parenting Toward Drug Prevention <i>To help parents, teachers, and adult church leaders know the essentials of developing drug resistant children and youth.</i>	1-2 (cont'd) 3-4 (cont'd)	Steve Sumerel

Pastor Search Committee <i>A structured process that leads the search committee to examine the church's vision; emphasizes assessment, background checking, and a covenant of expectations.</i>	1 & 3	M. Wayne Oakes
Profiles in Teaching (Assessing Your Strengths and Weaknesses as a Teacher) <i>The Success Style Profile, a relatively new personality and cognitive mode inventory, will be administered/interpreted in a group setting with the goal of helping teachers become more proficient. Group limited to 15 with cost of \$13, greatly reduced for ETC.</i>	2-3 (cont'd)	Joe Collins
Project Help: Violence <i>Hear about the two year emphasis WMU is sponsoring in which churches and individuals can get involved to combat violence in their community as well as around the world.</i>	1 & 2	Paula Settle
Reaching Out to Your Community Through Literacy Missions <i>To produce an awareness of meeting the needs of at-risk children and youth (TCY), language needs of internationals (CE/ESL), and adults with poor reading skills (ARW), so that church based and associational literacy missions programs can be started.</i>	3 & 4	JoEllen Stewart
Ready, Fire, Aim <i>Practicum, lab experience on reading and interpreting demographic reports—"how to".</i>	4	Bob Watson
Recruiting and Promoting Volunteerism in the Local Church <i>Ideas on how to promote and recruit volunteer missions among members of the local church.</i>	1 & 3	Lisa Chilson
Share Jesus Without Fear Seminar <i>To introduce Share Jesus Without Fear, a new witnessing resource from BSSB.</i>	1-2 (cont'd) 3-4 (cont'd)	Bill Fay
Single in the Church <i>Exploring issues and possibilities for ministry with single adults.</i>	1 & 2	David Moore
Small-Membership Church Leadership <i>To equip clergy and laity with practical "how-to" insights, ideas, and methods that maximize mission and ministry effectiveness in small-membership churches.</i>	One Day Seminar Sept. 11	Herb Miller
Societal Trends Which Should Impact Adult Sunday School Work as We Move Into the 21st Century <i>Societal trends impact the church in dramatic ways. Learn not only what these trends are but also how we need to "flex" in order to be effective in adult Sunday School work.</i>	5	Alan Raughton
Sound Systems for your Church <i>Come with questions about your church's sound system, improving sound, or assistance in running sound.</i>	3	Roger Ward
Starting a New Worship Service <i>Whether your church is growing, simply maintaining its status, or faced with declining attendance, beginning a new style service is one of the most effective means of reaching your community with the gospel of Jesus Christ.</i>	2	Kenny Lamun
Strengthening Deacon Ministry in your Church <i>To provide practical guidance for strengthening Deacon family ministries and other models of Deacon ministries in the local church.</i>	2 & 5	Ron Davis
Target Older Adults (55 & up) for Sunday School <i>What are the distinctive issues and concerns facing older adults that should impact our reaching and teaching strategies for Bible study? Discover ways to touch these persons with the Gospel.</i>	2 & 4	K. Maurice Cooper
Target: Single Adults for Sunday School <i>Singles are the fastest growing group of adults in our society today. Discover how your church can use the Sunday School to reach singles in your community.</i>	3	Ruth Murray
Thunder & Threat: Preaching on Stewardship <i>Practical help and encouragement for leading churches to develop more effective stewardship emphases.</i>	4	David Carter
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Using Fellowships for Effective Outreach with Adults in Sunday School <i>Fellowships are one way to reach adults for Bible study. Learn how to use "fellowships" as an effective outreach tool.</i>	1 & 2	Ruth Murray
Using the Faith Strategy to Enhance Outreach in Today's World!! <i>Doing effective outreach in today's world is very challenging!! Learn how to utilize the FAITH Strategy to reach people for Christ and His church.</i>	3 & 4	Alan Raughton
Working with Multiple Generations in Adult Sunday School <i>Working across generational lines can be quite challenging given the differing mindsets, value systems, and behavior patterns. Learn how to use these differences for great learning experiences and spiritual growth.</i>	3	Bob Williamson
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Biography As Theology <i>Since every pastor works from a bias that is born out of experiences, this conference will provide an experience where participants tell others about their experiences in ministry.</i>	1	Jeffrey Wisdom
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Finding and Developing All The Sunday School Workers You Need <i>Discover strategies for identifying people gifted for Bible Teaching-Reaching leadership, and discuss methods for developing their potential.</i>	3	Jerri Herring
Forum For Problem-Opportunities for Developing Healthy Churches <i>In a panel forum setting participants can help surface current issues challenging the development of healthy and growing churches.</i>	5	Steve Scoggins & Jeffrey Wisdom

Fundamentals to Empower a Good and Growing Sunday School <i>Using "The Power To Change Lives" 1998-99 resource materials, conferees will learn the basic for and begin to develop a strategic plan for a powerful Bible Teaching ministry.</i>	1-2 (cont'd)	Jerri Herring
Geodemographics IS NOT a Bad Word <i>Orientation for using demographic studies to plan more intelligently in evangelism and missions.</i>	3	Bob Watson
Grabbing the Tiger by the Tail: Seven Issues in an Aging Church <i>Participants will examine seven issues that most profoundly affect the aging church.</i>	4	Jeffrey Wisdom
Growing a Disciple Making Church <i>Introduction to a 3-year process of growing a disciple making church through coaching of leaders and redesigning of educational ministry.</i>	2 & 4	Tom Quarels & Paul Anderson
Guiding Sunday School Work in the Smaller Membership Church <i>Special attention will be given to the challenges and opportunities of Bible Teaching-Reaching in Sunday School with 150 or less enrolled.</i>	1-5 (cont'd)	Belvin Cox
How to Help Workers Be Proud of and Excited About Being a Sunday School Worker <i>Discuss ways to encourage and affirm your workers throughout the year and thereby develop a strong team of caring and productive teachers and officers.</i>	5	Jerri Herring
How to Plan and Lead Workers' Meetings That Teachers Don't Want to Miss <i>Sunday School seldom achieve much more than is planned and developed in regular workers' meetings. In this conference participants will learn how to give pizzazz, vitality and power to regular workers meetings.</i>	4	Jerri Herring
Ideas for Reaching and Ministering to Secular People <i>Conferees will discuss characteristics of and strategies for reaching typical "Secular" people.</i>	5	Robert Stewart
Kingdom Growth Principles <i>Help for those looking for a map to church revitalization.</i>	4 & 5	Ron Pratt
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Preaching that Breathes Life into a Church <i>Conferees will explore preaching that is Biblical, relevant, understandable, and passionate as primary tools used of God to bring life into plateaued or declining churches.</i>	1 & 3	Steve Scoggins
Principles that Breathe Life Into a Church <i>Participants will discuss basic "turnaround" principles such as leading the church to be more Jesus-centered, becoming warmly expressive in love, majoring on majors instead of minors, plowing around stumps, and fanning enthusiasm ministry flames.</i>	2 & 4	Steve Scoggins
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Trading Your Worry for Wonder <i>Learn how to rid yourself of anxieties that keep you from being all you are meant to be for God.</i>	1, 3, 4	Sandra Miller
What Seminary Forgot to Tell You: Not Every Church Will Grow Numerically. <i>Conferees will look at three leadership skills that will help participants more effectively serve an aging congregation.</i>	3	Jeffrey Wisdom

SPECIAL EDUCATION

How to Start a Special Education Class <i>The basics of setting up a Special Education Class with suggestions for curriculum, resources, and doing the lesson plan.</i>	2	Myra Robinson
Strengthening Your Special Education Ministry <i>Practical helps for use of all curriculum materials; handling classroom problems; outreach suggestions; ways to minister to the whole family; reaching group home residents with a church ministry, etc.</i>	3-5 (cont'd)	Myra Robinson
Why Have a Special Education Ministry? <i>An awareness conference on the need of a Special Education Ministry and what it can mean to the person, the family, and the church.</i>	1	Myra Robinson

N.C. BAPTIST ASSEMBLY (CASWELL) SCHEDULE—OCT. 2–3, 1998

FRIDAY

5:00	Dinner
6:15–6:45 p.m.	General Session
7:00–8:00 p.m.	Session 1
8:30–9:30 p.m.	Session 2

SATURDAY

7:00 a.m.	Breakfast
8:15– 9:15 a.m.	Session 3
9:15– 9:45 a.m.	Move/Refreshments
9:45–10:45 a.m.	Session 4
10:45–11:15 a.m.	Move/Refreshments
11:15–12:15 p.m.	Session 5
12:15 p.m.	Lunch

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PRESCHOOL		
Basics for Preschool Leaders <i>Preschool leaders will explore their responsibilities, learn ways to teach preschoolers effectively and evaluate their teaching environment.</i>	1–2 (cont'd)	Cathy Hopkins
Blocks, Blocks, Blocks <i>Have fun in this hands-on block workshop!</i>	5	Tommy Sanders
Group Time for Preschoolers <i>Experience a meaningful group time session for preschoolers.</i>	2	Margie Cockrell
Guiding Preschoolers Worship Experiences <i>Explore ways preschoolers can have meaningful worship experiences.</i>	4	Tommy Sanders
Having an Effective Mission Friends Organization in My Church <i>Hear an overview of the Mission Friends program, what happens in a Mission Friends meeting, and the resources to help.</i>	2	Alice Bates & Julie Bates
Let's Make Music <i>Preschool leaders will explore a variety of musical teaching opportunities to enhance learning about God.</i>	3	Cathy Hopkins
Ministry Through Extended Teaching Care (Extended Session) <i>Discover the importance of quality teaching during ETC.</i>	3	Margie Cockrell
Partnering with Parents: Ministry to the Home <i>Conference will help teachers partner with parents in the spiritual nurturing of their children as they work together to impact the child's life.</i>	5	Margie Cockrell
Positive Guidance with Preschoolers <i>Take a fresh look at guiding preschoolers behavior.</i>	3	Tommy Sanders
Preschool Division and Department Directors: Motivation, Enlistment, Team Building <i>Interact with other directors to enhance communication and leadership skills.</i>	1–2 (cont'd)	Tommy Sanders
Preschool Music <i>Working with preschoolers in music and moving activities.</i>	5	Susan Ward
Preschool Teachers Wanna Know <i>Bring questions/ideas about preschool work to share in an open forum with other preschool leaders.</i>	4	Cathy Hopkins
Using Books with Preschoolers <i>Experience the joy and learn the value of choosing and using books appropriate for preschoolers at home or church.</i>	1	Margie Cockrell



Little is Much:

Make a Difference

In North Carolina, there are:

- more than 7.3 million residents
- more than 70,000 children with one or more parent in prison
- more than 50 different language groups
- nearly 200 children infected with the AIDS virus
- more than 70,000 seasonal farm workers
- more than 4.5 million people affected by recent disasters
- more than 3.5 million unchurched people

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The problems in today's world can be overwhelming. It's easy to believe that the problems are just too great and one individual is too small to make a difference.

Yet throughout Jesus' ministry He taught His disciples how something apparently small can make a big difference.

- A mustard seed, the smallest of all seeds, grows into a large tree. Birds make a home in the tree's branches. (Matthew 13:32)
- A small bit of yeast is essential to making a loaf of bread. (Matthew 13:33)
- A boy's lunch of five loaves of bread and two fish fed a crowd of five thousand people. (John 6:9-13)

When you give to the North Carolina Missions Offering, your gift is combined with those of others across the state. Together with God's blessing, these gifts can accomplish something great for His Kingdom. Whether you are old or young, an adult or a child, you can make a difference.

You can learn more about how your gifts will make a difference for Jesus Christ by reading the following articles. To make a contribution to the North Carolina Missions Offering, contact your church or the Baptist State Convention at 1-800-395-5102.

Scriptures Show Little Things Can Make A Big Difference

"Little Is Much: Make A Difference" is this year's theme for the North Carolina Missions Offering. In the following scripture passages, God uses something small to make a big difference for His Kingdom. While reading these passages, remember that today He is still able to use our gifts for His great purposes.

- At that time, the disciples came to Jesus, asking, "Who is the greatest in the Kingdom of heaven?" So Jesus called a child, had him stand in front of them, and said, "I assure you that unless you change and become like children you will never enter the Kingdom of heaven. The greatest in the Kingdom is the one who humbles himself and becomes like this child." (Matthew 18:1-4)

- Jesus told them another parable: "The Kingdom of heaven is like this.

A man takes a mustard seed and sows it in his

field. It is the smallest of all seeds, but when it grows up, it is the biggest of all plants. It becomes a tree, so that birds come and make their nests in its branches." (Matthew 13:31-32)



- Jesus told them still another parable: "The Kingdom of heaven is like this. A woman takes some yeast and mixes it with a bushel of flour until the whole batch of dough rises." (Matthew 13:33)

- The widow . . . went to Elisha and said, "Sir, my husband has died! . . . A man he owed money to has come to take away my two sons as slaves in payment for my husband's debt."

He asked, ". . . What do you have at home?"

"Nothing at all, except a small jar of olive oil," she answered.

"Go to your neighbors and borrow as many empty jars as you can," Elisha told her. ". . . Start pouring oil into the jars. Set each one aside as soon as it is full."

So the woman . . . took the small jar of olive oil and poured oil into the jars . . . When they had filled all the jars, . . . the olive oil stopped flowing. She went back to Elisha, the prophet, who said to her, "Sell the olive oil and pay all your debts, and there will be enough money left for you and your sons to live on." (2 Kings 4:1-7)

- Elijah . . . saw a widow . . . "Please bring me a drink of water," he said to her . . . "And please bring me some bread, too."

She answered, ". . . All I have is a handful of flour in a bowl and a bit of olive oil in a jar."

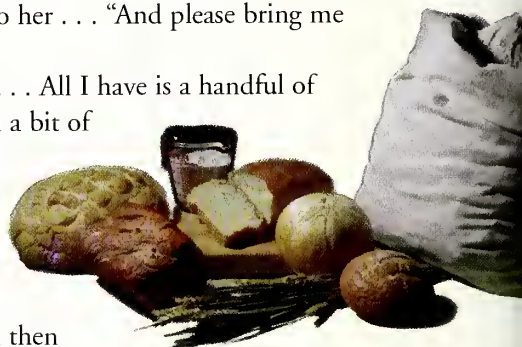
. . . Elijah said to her, ". . . Make a small loaf from what you have and bring it to me, and then prepare the rest for you and your son. For this is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says: The bowl will not run out of flour or the jar run out of oil before the day that I, the Lord, send rain."

The widow went and did as Elijah had told her, and all of them had enough food for many days. (1 Kings 17:10-15)

- As Jesus sat near the temple treasury, he watched the people as they dropped in their money. Many rich men dropped in a lot of money; then a poor widow came along and dropped in two little copper coins worth about a penny. He called his disciples together and said to them, "I tell you that this poor widow put more in the offering box than all the others. For the others put in what they had to spare of their riches; but she, poor as she is, put in all she had — she gave all she had to live on." (Mark 12:41-44)

- Andrew . . . said, "There is a boy here who has five loaves of barley bread and two fish."

Jesus took the bread, gave thanks to God, and distributed it to the people who were sitting there. He did the same with



the fish, and they all had as much as they wanted.” (John 6:8-14)

■ Give to others, and God will give to you. Indeed, you will receive a full measure, a generous helping, poured into your hands — all that you can hold. The measure you use for others is the one that God will use for you. (Luke 6:38)



Childhood Experiences Influence Career Missionary

While growing up in Raleigh, Kaye Morrison began learning about missions at an early age.

“My mother has said that every time a missionary spoke at church I had to be there,” she recalls.

A member of New Hope church, she also participated in a week-long GA camp at Umstead Park. “It was a wonderful week,” she remembers. “The leaders really cared for us.”

Kaye now serves as a missionary to Africa’s Ivory Coast. She and her husband are church planters. “I believe these early experiences were preparing me for my call into full-time Christian service,” she said.

Her children have carried on the family’s tradition of missions involvement. As a college student at Campbell, Angela, now 24, worked at Mundo Vista for several summers. Jeff, a freshman at Campbell, will be a counselor at Camp Caraway this year.

Through your gift to the North Carolina Missions Offering, you can make a difference by providing opportunities for children to learn about missions.



Kaye Morrison, missionary to Africa’s Ivory Coast, has collected many artifacts in her 14 years there.

Angel Flights Transport Infant Needing Medical Care

Anthony suffers from a disease that causes tumors to grow on his right eye. At the age of 11 months, he has already made nine trips from his home in Florida to see medical specialists in Philadelphia who can treat him.



Gary Wilser is a volunteer and regional coordinator for the NC Baptist Men’s Aviation Ministry.

Many of these trips would not have been possible without the help of the North Carolina Baptist Men’s Aviation Ministry. Anthony’s family cannot afford the cost of his medical care and the frequent commercial flights to Philadelphia.

More than 100 volunteers across the state provide “Angel Flights” to people in need. These volunteers use their interest and skills in flying to help people in Jesus’ name.

“I have always been interested in flying, even from the time I was just a boy,” said Bob Foy, state coordinator of the aviation ministry who has been a private pilot for about 18 years. “What better way to use that interest than to tell others about the love of Jesus?”

“You guys are a gift from God,” said Mrs. Anderson, Anthony’s mother, referring to Foy and his volunteer co-pilot Gene Branson. “If it weren’t for you, we would not be able to receive the medical help Anthony so desperately needs.”

“I love to fly but without a good reason to, I just couldn’t afford it,” said Foy. “I now have a good reason to fly!”

The North Carolina Missions Offering supports the ministries of North Carolina Baptist Men, including the Aviation Ministry.

North Carolina: A Field for Language Missions

John Jones spent the first 15 years of his life in Ecuador, the son of missionaries in that country. He grew up speaking Spanish as well as English. When he returned to North Carolina, he worked in the Yadkin Association as a summer missionary to migrant workers.

This experience was the beginning of a career in language

John Jones reviews language materials, such as this Hispanic periodical, in his role as director of language ministries for North Carolina Baptists.



ministries, right in North Carolina.

"I always thought I would return to the mission field in Ecuador," Jones said. But as he worked with Hispanic people in our state, Jones saw the needs that existed here at home. "At that time, non-English language ministries were just getting started. I saw the opportunity and felt God was leading me to stay here in North Carolina."

As a language pastor with the Home Mission Board (now the North American Mission Board) for many years, Jones started Hispanic churches across the state. Today, as the director of language ministries for the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, he oversees more than 100 non-English language churches. "The number of North Carolina residents whose primary language is not English is growing," said Jones. "We still have a vast mission field right here in our own state."

Associational summer missionaries and other language missions programs are supported by gifts to the North Carolina Missions Offering.

Your Dollars Make A Difference

Do you think you are too small or that you could never give enough to make a difference? Here are a few ways your gift to the North Carolina Missions Offering can make a difference:

- \$3.50 provides a hot meal to a disaster victim.
- \$5 supplies a language Bible for a non-English speaking

North Carolina resident.

- \$10 helps furnish crafts and Bible session materials for the annual Happiness Retreats for persons with mental handicaps.
- \$15 pays program fees for a training event for associational WMU leadership.
- \$20 provides the *Biblical Recorder* on cassette tape for blind/visually impaired readers for one year.
- \$30 supports a seminary extension scholarship for a prison inmate.
- \$35 provides a gift to a missionary child in college at Christmas time.
- \$50 supplies two soccer balls for an overseas sports mission team.
- \$50 pays for special training for a language group starting missions organizations in its church.
- \$100 provides a Christian camping experience for a child from less fortunate circumstances.
- \$150 pays for a workshop leader to train tutors in one of three literacy mission areas.
- \$300 supplies a supplement to an associational Mother/Daughter retreat.
- \$500 provides one month's support for a full-time language pastor.
- \$600 furnishes a hymn player for a language congregation.

Ways You Can Help

Here are five ways you can support the North Carolina Missions Offering:

1. Pray for the work of the ministries made possible by the North Carolina Missions Offering.
2. Pray for the North Carolina Missions Offering emphasis in your church.
3. Invite a speaker to give a testimony at your church. Call your association or the state convention office for the names of those who have witnessed North Carolina missions making a difference in their own life or the lives of others.
4. Give your time to support a project or program which is supported by the North Carolina Missions Offering.
5. Make a financial donation to the offering.

North Carolina Missions Offering Help and Hope

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Week of Prayer for North Carolina Missions

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Who Used Our Glue? <i>Conference will examine creative ways that resources/rooms can be shared among the different organizations of the church.</i>	4	Margie Cockrell
TeamKid for Preschoolers and Children <i>Experience a fun-filled, action-packed Bible club for children (3's-5's and 1st-6th grades) to help them deal with issues related to their everyday life.</i>	3	Angela Clark
CHILDREN		
Children Can Worship <i>Ideas will be offered for involving children in congregational worship services and for providing effective separate worship experiences for children.</i>	4	Janice Haywood
Children's Bible Drill <i>This conference will help leaders understand and implement this Bible Skills program in their church for children in grades 4-6.</i>	4	Lois McCoy
Children's Bible Drill, Youth Bible Drill, & Youth Speakers Tournament <i>This conference, designed for churches already using one or more of these programs, will share innovative ways to increase involvement and add excitement to their programs.</i>	3	Lois McCoy
Coed Missions Options Through WMU <i>The Adults On Mission, Youth On Mission, and Children in Action organizations will be described in this conference as well as resources to use. Helps will also be given on how to determine if a coed organization is best for doing missions in your church.</i>	1 & 3	Jeanette Walters
Demonstration of a Children's Sunday Morning Session <i>Experience an effective and exciting Sunday morning session.</i>	1 & 5	Janet Whitaker
Developing Children's Bible Skills <i>Teachers will discover what skills should be learned at each age and how to develop Bible skills in fun and interesting ways.</i>	2 & 4	Carolyn Patton
Guiding Behavior of Children <i>Guidelines will be suggested for preventing behavior problems as well as for dealing with difficult behavior of children, ages 6-11.</i>	3 & 5	Janice Haywood
Having an Effective Girls in Action Organization in My Church <i>Hear an overview of the Girls in Action program, what happens in a Girls in Action meeting, and the resources to help.</i>	4	Julie Bates & Alice Bates
Helping Children Cope with Divorce <i>Explore the how-to's of starting a support group or individual study with children of divorce.</i>	2 & 5	Angela Clark
How Do I "Care4 Kids?" <i>Teaching children in Sunday School involves caring about all children—the children present, the children absent, as well as children who are prospective members. This session will explore ways busy teachers can "Care4Kids."</i>	1 & 3	Carolyn Patton
Introducing Bible Buddies <i>Conferees will explore a new Bible Skills resource for 2nd and 3rd graders.</i>	1	Angela Clark
Keys to a Successful Royal Ambassador Program <i>To help Royal Ambassador leaders achieve a fun and spiritually meaningful program for teaching missions education to boys in grades 1-6.</i>	2 & 3	Mark Abernathy
MissionKids: Coed Missions for Children <i>To introduce MissionKids, a coed missions program for children in grades 1-6.</i>	4	Mark Abernathy
Success Tips for Children's Sunday School Division Directors <i>Practical help will be offered for division directors (persons who coordinate the work of three or more children's classes or departments).</i>	3-4 (cont'd)	Janet Whitaker

Success Training for New Children's Sunday School Teachers (less than 2 years) <i>New Teachers will learn how to prepare to teach children how to teach Bible Truths effectively, and how to involve children in Bible Study, prayer, and praise.</i>	1-2 (cont'd)	Janice Haywood
Talking with a Child About Conversion <i>Teachers will learn how a child's faith develops, how to teach evangelistically, and how to talk with a child about conversion.</i>	2	Janet Whitaker
TeamKid for Preschoolers and Children <i>Experience a fun-filled, action-packed Bible club for children (3's-5's and 1st-6th grades) to help them deal with issues related to their everyday life.</i>	3	Angela Clark
The New Redesigned Children's Music Curriculum from the BSSB <i>See and learn how to use the newest children's music materials from the BSSB.</i>	2	Susan Ward
Using Fun Songs, Hymns, and Choruses in Teaching <i>The use of music in teaching spiritual concepts, and obtaining the child's interest.</i>	1 & 3	Susan Ward
What Does the Room Teach the Children? <i>Since children learn from their environment, this session will help teachers use the room to enhance and facilitate learning.</i>	5	Carolyn Patton
You Can Build Strong Families <i>Learn about Building Strong Family resources for parents and children that can help build character and foster a Godly home.</i>	4	Angela Clark

YOUTH

2000 Youth Evangelism Tools <i>O.K., so maybe not exactly 2000 tools, but we will look at a lot. Gain an overview of the tools and resources that you can use to train your youth to share their faith. Emphasis will also be placed on the mindset of today's unchurched youth.</i>	4	Nelson Searcy
A Model Bible Study <i>Conferees will participate in an actual Bible study session using the 10 skills taught in sessions 3 & 4.</i>	5	Phil Stone
Challenging Youth Beyond the Basics <i>This conference will share practical ways to encourage youth to develop a deeper relationship with Christ, and to be involved in ministry.</i>	2 & 4	Paul Turner
Children's Bible Drill, Youth Bible Drill, & Youth Speakers Tournament <i>This conference, designed for churches already using one or more of these programs, will share innovative ways to increase involvement and add excitement to their programs.</i>	3	Lois McCoy
Coed Missions Options Through WMU <i>The Adults On Mission, Youth On Mission, and Children in Action organizations will be described in this conference as well as resources to use. Helps will also be given on how to determine if a coed organization is best for doing missions in your church.</i>	1 & 3	Jeanette Walters
CrossOver: Transition from High School to College <i>Provide resources and encouragement for youth leaders to focus on the transition of youth and the value of preparation for this task.</i>	3 & 4	Joe Clontz
Get Organized for Ministry to Teens <i>How to's of getting organized in Youth Sunday School so you can do some real minister with teens.</i>	5	Phyllis Pate
Having an Effective Acteens Organization in My Church <i>Hear an overview of the Acteens program, what happens in an Acteens meeting, and the resources to help.</i>	5	Alice Bates & Julie Bates
Millennials: How Can We Reach This Generation of Youth? <i>This conference will look at issues and social trends that are currently affecting youth ministry.</i>	1 & 3	Paul Turner

Non-Stop Methods <i>Creative methods for Teaching teens.</i>	3 & 4	Michael Capps
Re-Thinking Youth Christian Education <i>A look at cutting edge approaches to Youth Christian Education for the 21st Century.</i>	1-2 (cont.)	Phil Stone
Ten Skills for Building a Better Bible Study for Teenagers <i>Ten skills to help the youth Sunday School teacher create a Bible study that involves youth.</i>	3 & 4	Phil Stone
Wild and Wacky Workers Meetings <i>How to's of making workers meeting worth having.</i>	5	Michael Capps
You've Got the Power to Change Lives of Teenagers. Do It! <i>Reaching and Witnessing to Teenagers</i>	3 & 4	Phyllis Pate
Youth Bible Drill and Youth Speaker's Tournament <i>This conference will explore how these programs can develop the Bible and witnessing skills of youth in the local church.</i>	5	Lois McCoy
Youth Mission Opportunities and Resources <i>Learn of various opportunities for involving youth in mission projects both at home and abroad.</i>	3 & 4	Jimmy Huffman

COLLEGE

CrossOver: Transition from High School to College <i>Provide resources and encouragement for youth leaders to focus on the transition of youth and the value of preparation for this task.</i>	3 & 4	Joe Clontz
Dialogue on College Student Ministry <i>This session is for those who have ideas to share and/or are looking for some new ideas about ways to begin/improve college student ministry in their church.</i>	5	Joe Clontz
Ministry with Generation X <i>Gain an understanding of the mindset of Generation X and how you can effectively reach out to them through ministry and evangelism.</i>	5	Nelson Searcy
Understanding and Ministering To College Students <i>Give participants an overview of the developmental tasks of the 18-25 year old and ways to use existing and new church programs to reach this age group.</i>	1 & 2	Joe Clontz

ADULT

1998 Doctrine Study Overview <i>Thine Is The Kingdom overview.</i>	2	David Carter
1999 Church Budgeting <i>Understand how to construct a church budget that enhances giving, brings a proper balance to ministry needs, and helps the church accomplish its mission.</i>	1	Larry Austin & Ken Batts
911! Ministering to Adults Through Sunday School In Times of Crises <i>All adults experience crises at some time during their life. Learn how a well-organized Sunday School can provide needed ministry in times of crises.</i>	4 & 5	Ruth Murray
Adult Class Leadership: The Key to a Strong Adult Sunday School Class <i>To explain the importance of adult class leaders and to encourage teachers to develop believers through effective enlistment and training of class leaders.</i>	3	Beth Thompson
Are You Out of Sunday School Space? What's Involved in Dual /Multiple Sunday Schools? <i>Sometimes our efforts to grow are limited by the amount of space we have and it is not practical to build more space. Discover how dual or multiple Sunday Schools can enhance our efforts to reach more people!!</i>	1 & 2	Beth Thompson

Assimilating New Members <i>Provide practical ideas for assimilating new members into effective church life.</i>	1, 3, 5	David Cox
Avoiding the "Saturday Night" Special! Planning to Teach Adults in Sunday School <i>Many teachers teach "poorly" because they plan "poorly." This conference will assist teachers with their planning skills as they develop an effective teaching/learning plan.</i>	4 & 5	Jerry Chiles
Christian Education Trends for 21st Century <i>Overview of Pratt's book: Facing Critical Issues in Christian Education.</i>	1-2 (cont'd)	Ron Pratt
Churches Helping People Manage Money <i>Develop church plans to help people understand how to relate to money, how to make Biblical decisions about spending money, and how to follow up for ongoing support.</i>	2	Ken Batts & Larry Austin
Coed Missions Options Through WMU <i>The Adults On Mission, Youth On Mission, and Children in Action organizations will be described in this conference as well as resources to use. Helps will also be given on how to determine if a coed organization is best for doing missions in your church.</i>	1 & 3	Jeanette Walters
Coloring Outside the Lines in Adult Sunday School Work <i>"Business as usual" will not reach the masses of adults for Bible study. How can we encourage creativity, innovation, and risk taking for more effective adult Sunday School work?</i>	1	Jerry Chiles
Creating a Climate for High Motivation in Adult Reaching Efforts <i>What does it take to get adults interested in reaching other adults for Jesus Christ and His church? Learn how to "climatize" for appropriate reaching efforts!!</i>	4 & 5	Beth Thompson
Developing a Meaningful Men's Ministry in Your Church <i>To help churches develop a well rounded men's ministry, including spiritual development, missions involvement, and fellowship.</i>	1 & 3	Richard Brunson
Discovering Gifts—Developing Worship Leaders <i>Discovering, encouraging, and empowering those in your congregational to use their gifts as worship leaders.</i>	4	Roger Ward
Evangelistic Preaching <i>Learn how to effectively prepare and present evangelistic sermons. Emphasis will be placed upon the biblical and theological foundations, as well as an examination of contemporary models.</i>	1	Nelson Searcy
Fundamentals for the Church Treasurer <i>Outline and clarify for the church treasurer fundamental principles and tasks of administering the church's money, valuable for new and experienced treasurers</i>	3	Ken Batts & Larry Austin
Geodemographics IS NOT a Bad Word <i>Orientation for using demographic studies to plan more intelligent in evangelism and missions</i>	3	Bob Watson
Getting a Truce with Time <i>To help participants to be better stewards of time and life.</i>	1 & 2	Fred McGehee
Gift Based Deacon Ministry <i>Creating Ministry teams as a way of deacon ministry.</i>	1, 3, 4	Mike Parnell
Growing Healthy Fellowship in the Church <i>To assist participants with ways to help their churches to develop relationships that are mutually supportive & redemptive.</i>	3 & 4	Fred McGehee
Hands On Mission Projects for the Local Church <i>Specific ways a church can do missions in their community and around the world.</i>	2 & 4	Lisa Chilson
Handyman/Disaster Recovery Ministry <i>Learn how to develop a handyman ministry in your church. Discussion will include possible projects and tools needed.</i>	4 & 5	John Ross
Having an Effective Women On Mission Organization <i>An overview of the Women On Mission organization as well as group options and resources will be given in this conference.</i>	2 & 4	Kathy Freeman-Robles

I'm a New (Inexperienced) Adult Sunday School Teacher. What Do I Do? <i>To give new and inexperienced adult Sunday School teachers training in the basics for effective work in adult Sunday School.</i>	1-2 (cont'd.)	Denise Smith
Improving Music Reading <i>Learning the basics of music to help in song leading, choir directing, and worship planning.</i>	1	Roger Ward
Introduction to Conflict Resolution <i>An overview of a conflict resolution process available to churches along with an application on how relationships are best formed and continued.</i>	2 & 4	M. Wayne Oakes
Kingdom Growth Principles <i>Help for those looking for a map to church revitalization.</i>	4 & 5	Ron Pratt
Leading Discipleship in the Church <i>How to organize an effective discipleship ministry in the local church.</i>	5	David Carter
Make Learning Exciting for Adults by Using a Variety of Teaching Methods <i>Learning can be exciting for adults! By using a variety of teaching methods adult leaders can make learning both interesting and exciting for adults in Sunday School.</i>	2 & 3	Jerry Chiles
Making the Church Work <i>Exploration of trends and issues impacting church effectiveness in the 21st century.</i>	2 & 3	Eddie Hammett
MasterLife Overview <i>Overview of Revised Masterlife discipleship curricula.</i>	1	David Carter
Media Library Promotion: Advertising Materials and Services <i>The need for promotion, principles, personnel, planning, and developing good public relations will be discussed.</i>	4	Jeanne Tucker
Ministry to the Homebound and Their Caregivers <i>The homebound and their caregivers are often "forgotten" by the church. Learn how to multiply your ministry opportunities with an intentional focus on homebound and their caregivers.</i>	1 & 3	K. Maurice Cooper
Ministry with Generation X <i>Gain an understanding of the mindset of Generation X and how you can effectively reach out to them through ministry and evangelism.</i>	5	Nelson Searcy
Ministry with Older Adults <i>Discovering and planning for programs and ministries among the senior adult population in your church. Should we get started, start over, overhaul, or fold the tents?</i>	3 & 4	David Moore
New Member Assimilation <i>How Churches can create a more receptive and energizing atmosphere for new members.</i>	5	Ron Pratt
Overseas Mission Opportunities <i>To learn of various opportunities for short-term missions involvement around the world.</i>	2 & 4	Richard Brunson
Parenting Toward Drug Prevention <i>To help parents, teachers, and adult church leaders know the essentials of developing drug resistant children and youth.</i>	1-2 (cont'd) 3-4 (cont'd)	Steve Sumerel
Pastor Search Committee <i>A structured process that leads the search committee to examine the church's vision; emphasizes assessment, background checking, and a covenant of expectations.</i>	1 & 3	M. Wayne Oakes
Project Help: Violence <i>Hear about the two year emphasis WMU is sponsoring in which churches and individuals can get involved to combat violence in their community as well as around the world.</i>	3 & 4	Paula Settle
Pulpit to Pew: Bridging the Great Divide <i>Do you ever feel that your sermons just aren't getting through? Learn how to reach your people with relevant, life-changing messages. Issues such as theme selection, sermon structure, and sermon delivery will be discussed.</i>	5	Brian Lee

Reaching Out to Your Community Through Literacy Missions <i>To produce an awareness of meeting the needs of at-risk children and youth (TCY), language needs of internationals (CE/ESL), and adults with poor reading skills (ARW), so that church based and associational literacy missions programs can be started.</i>	3 & 4	JoEllen Stewart
Ready, Fire, Aim <i>Practicum, lab experience on reading and interpreting demographic reports — "how to".</i>	4	Bob Watson
Recruiting and Promoting Volunteerism in the Local Church <i>Ideas on how to promote and recruit volunteer missions among members of the local church.</i>	1 & 3	Lisa Chilson
Single in the Church <i>Exploring issues and possibilities for ministry with single adults.</i>	1 & 2	David Moore
Sound Systems for your Church <i>Come with questions about your church's sound system, improving sound, or assistance in running sound.</i>	3	Roger Ward
Target Older Adults (55 & up) for Sunday School <i>What are the distinctive issues and concerns facing older adults that should impact our reaching and teaching strategies for Bible study? Discover ways to touch these persons with the Gospel.</i>	2 & 4	K. Maurice Cooper
Target: Single Adults for Sunday School <i>Singles are the fastest growing group of adults in our society today. Discover how your church can use the Sunday School to reach singles in your community.</i>	3	Ruth Murray
The Best of Both Worlds <i>Discover ways to incorporate contemporary elements of worship into a traditional service. You will learn the elements of a blended worship style along with strategies for implementing them. Attention will also be given to the pitfalls which are to be avoided when changing worship styles.</i>	3	Brian Lee
The Media Library Circulation Desk: The Action Place <i>Conferees will learn the basic guidelines in procedures, reserving media and the behind-the-scenes activities of media ministry.</i>	3	Jeanne Tucker
The Media Library Staff <i>Conferees will discover how to enlist the media library staff, share the responsibilities of staff, and learn other special services and opportunities of ministry.</i>	1	Jeanne Tucker
The Media Library: Organized and Operating for Effective Ministry <i>Training the Media Library staff is important for an effective ministry. Explore training materials and ways to function by guidelines.</i>	2	Jeanne Tucker
Thunder & Threat: Preaching on Stewardship <i>Practical help and encouragement for leading churches to develop more effective stewardship emphases.</i>	4	David Carter
Using Fellowships for Effective Outreach with Adults In Sunday School <i>Fellowships are one way to reach adults for Bible study. Learn how to use "fellowships" as an effective outreach tool.</i>	1 & 2	Ruth Murray
Using the Faith Strategy to Enhance Outreach in Today's World!! <i>Doing effective outreach in today's world is very challenging!! Learn how to utilize the FAITH Strategy to reach people for Christ and His church.</i>	3 & 5	Denise Smith
Worship on Purpose <i>Learn the importance of effective worship planning. Special attention will be given to the stages of worship planning and to the key steps that must be taken to improve the quality of worship in your church.</i>	1	Brian Lee

GENERAL

1998 Doctrine Study Overview <i>Thine Is The Kingdom overview.</i>	2	David Carter
Assimilating New Members <i>Provide practical ideas for assimilating new members into effective church life.</i>	1, 3, 5	David Cox
Biography As Theology <i>Since every pastor works from a bias that is born out of experiences, this conference will provide an experience where participants tell others about their experiences in ministry.</i>	1	Jeffrey Wisdom
Christian Education Trends for 21st Century <i>Overview of Pratt's book: Facing Critical Issues in Christian Education.</i>	1-2 (cont'd)	Ron Pratt
Evangelistic Preaching <i>Learn how to effectively prepare and present evangelistic sermons. Emphasis will be placed upon the biblical and theological foundations, as well as an examination of contemporary models.</i>	1	Nelson Searcy
Finding and Developing All The Sunday School Workers You Need <i>Discover strategies for identifying people gifted for Bible Teaching-Reaching leadership, and discuss methods for developing their potential.</i>	3	Larry Curtis
Forum For Problem-Opportunities for Developing Healthy Churches <i>In a panel forum setting participants can help surface current issues challenging the development of healthy and growing churches.</i>	5	Jeffrey Wisdom & Steve Scoggins
Fundamentals to Empower a Good and Growing Sunday School <i>Using "The Power To Change Lives" 1998-99 resource materials, conferees will learn the basic for and begin to develop a strategic plan for a powerful Bible Teaching ministry.</i>	1-2 (cont'd)	Larry Curtis
Geodemographics IS NOT a Bad Word <i>Orientation for using demographic studies to plan more intelligent in evangelism and missions.</i>	3	Bob Watson
Gift Based Deacon Ministry <i>Creating Ministry teams as a way of deacon ministry.</i>	1, 3, 4	Mike Parnell
Grabbing the Tiger by the Tail: Seven Issues in an Aging Church <i>Participants will examine seven issues that most profoundly affect the aging church.</i>	4	Jeffrey Wisdom
Guiding Sunday School Work in the Smaller Membership Church <i>Special attention will be given to the challenges and opportunities of Bible Teaching-Reaching in Sunday School with 150 or less enrolled.</i>	1-5 (cont'd)	Belvin Cox
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How to Plan and Lead Workers' Meetings That Teachers Don't Want to Miss <i>Sunday School seldom achieve much more than is planned and developed in regular workers' meetings. In this conference participants will learn how to give pazazz, vitality and power to regular workers meetings.</i>	4	Larry Curtis
Ideas for Reaching and Ministering to Secular People <i>Conferees will discuss characteristics of and strategies for reaching typical "Secular" people.</i>	5	Robert Stewart
Kingdom Growth Principles <i>Help for those looking for a map to church revitalization.</i>	4 & 5	Ron Pratt
Leading Discipleship in the Church <i>How to organize an effective discipleship ministry in the local church.</i>	5	David Carter
Making the Church Work <i>Exploration of trends and issues impacting church effectiveness in the 21st century.</i>	2 & 3	Eddie Hammett
MasterLife Overview <i>Overview of Revised Masterlife discipleship curricula.</i>	1	David Carter

Media Library Promotion: Advertising Materials and Services <i>The need for promotion, principles, personnel, planning, and developing good public relations will be discussed.</i>	4	Jeanne Tucker
Ministry with Generation X <i>Gain an understanding of the mindset of Generation X and how you can effectively reach out to them through ministry and evangelism.</i>	5	Nelson Searcy
On the Road to Damascus <i>Since every congregation and pastor are subject to crises, this conference will provide opportunity for participants to discuss present ministries and their feelings about them.</i>	2	Jeffrey Wisdom
Overseas Mission Opportunities <i>To learn of various opportunities for short-term missions involvement around the world.</i>	2 & 4	Richard Brunson
Preaching that Breathes Life into a Church <i>Conferees will explore preaching that is Biblical, relevant, understandable, and passionate as primary tools used of God to bring life into plateaued or declining churches.</i>	1 & 3	Steve Scoggins
Pulpit to Pew: Bridging the Great Divide <i>Do you ever feel that your sermons just aren't getting through? Learn how to reach your people with relevant, life-changing messages. Issues such as theme selection, sermon structure, and sermon delivery will be discussed.</i>	5	Brian Lee
Principles that Breathe Life Into a Church <i>Participants will discuss basic "turnaround" principles such as leading the church to be more Jesus-centered, becoming warily expressive in love, majoring on majors instead of minors, plowing around stumps, and fanning enthusiasm in ministry flames.</i>	2 & 4	Steve Scoggins
Project Help: Violence <i>Hear about the two year emphasis WMU is sponsoring in which churches and individuals can get involved to combat violence in their community as well as around the world.</i>	3 & 4	Paula Settle
The Best of Both Worlds <i>Discover ways to incorporate contemporary elements of worship into a traditional service. You will learn the elements of a blended worship style along with strategies for implementing them. Attention will also be given to the pitfalls which are to be avoided when changing worship styles.</i>	3	Brian Lee
The Media Library Circulation Desk: The Action Place <i>Conferees will learn the basic guidelines in procedures, reserving media and the behind-the-scenes activities of media ministry.</i>	3	Jeanne Tucker
The Media Library Staff <i>Conferees will discover how to enlist the media library staff, share the responsibilities of staff, and learn other special services and opportunities of ministry.</i>	1	Jeanne Tucker
The Media Library: Organized and Operating for Effective Ministry <i>Training the Media Library staff is important for an effective ministry. Explore training materials and ways to function by guidelines.</i>	2	Jeanne Tucker
Thunder & Threat: Preaching on Stewardship <i>Practical help and encouragement for leading churches to develop more effective stewardship emphases</i>	4	David Carter
Transformed Through Personal Spiritual Growth <i>Every Christian leader needs to give attention to their own spiritual growth. This conference will focus on what God can do in our lives when we allow Him to work.</i>	1, 3, 5	Phyllis Elliott
What Seminary Forgot to Tell You: Not Every Church Will Grow Numerically <i>Conferees will look at three leadership skills that will help participants more effectively serve an aging congregation.</i>	3	Jeffrey Wisdom
Worship on Purpose <i>Learn the importance of effective worship planning. Special attention will be given to the stages of worship planning and to the key steps that must be taken to improve the quality of worship in your church.</i>	1	Brian Lee

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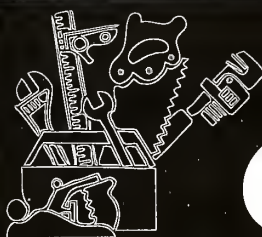
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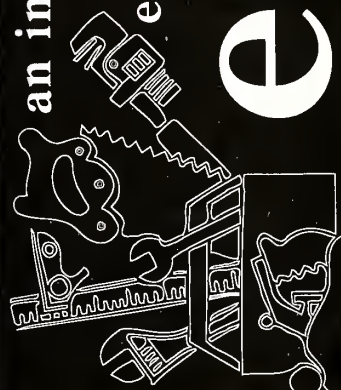
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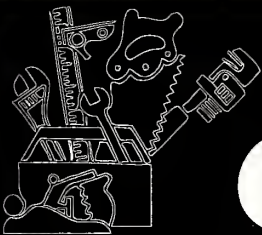
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1998 SUNDAY SCHOOL FALL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCES

CARAWAY (1) CONFERENCE CENTER SEPTEMBER 18-19, 1998

Registration Information

I. Costs—Program Fee, Room, & 3 Meals

- A. Conference Center & Cowsert Lodge
(first 150 registrants)
\$48 per person (double occupancy)
- B. Days Inn—Asheboro (over 150 registrants)
\$48 per person (double occupancy with meals at Caraway)
- C. Commuters—\$15 per person (plus meals)
Breakfast—\$3.25
Lunch—\$5.50
Dinner—\$6.00

II. Registration

Complete the registration information for Caraway 1 and *mail with all monies* to Sunday School Department, P.O. Box 1107, Cary, NC 27512. Total number of conferees limited to 375. Registration will be accepted *by mail only with postmark on or after July 6, 1998*. Lodging will be based on earliest postmark. *Monies are non-refundable after August 18 for cancellations.*

CARAWAY (2) CONFERENCE CENTER SEPTEMBER 25-26, 1998

Registration Information

I. Costs—Program Fee, Room, & 3 Meals

- A. Conference Center & Cowsert Lodge
(first 150 registrants)
\$48 per person (double occupancy)
- B. Days Inn—Asheboro (over 150 registrants)
\$48 per person (double occupancy with meals at Caraway)
- C. Commuters—\$15 per person (plus meals)
Breakfast—\$3.25
Lunch—\$5.50
Dinner—\$6.00

II. Registration

Complete the registration information for Caraway 2 and *mail with all monies* to Sunday School Department, P.O. Box 1107, Cary, NC 27512. Total number of conferees limited to 375. Registration will be accepted *by mail only with postmark on or after July 6, 1998*. Lodging will be based on earliest postmark. *Monies are non-refundable after August 25 for cancellations.*

1998 SUNDAY SCHOOL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCES REGISTRATION FORM

☐ Caraway 1, September 18-19

Indicate Number Attending: Overnight _____

☐ Caraway 2, September 25-26

Commuters _____ = Total _____

Church _____ Church Phone() _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Person Making Reservations _____ Daytime Phone() _____

Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

(Make check payable to Baptist State Convention of N.C.)

Roommate(s) Requested:

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CARAWAY I SCHEDULE—SEPTEMBER 18–19, 1998

FRIDAY

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Let's Make Music <i>Preschool leaders will explore a variety of musical teaching opportunities to enhance learning about God.</i>	3	Cathy Hopkins
Ministry through Extended Teaching Care (Extended Session) <i>Discover the importance of quality teaching during ETC.</i>	5	Susan Phillips
Partnering with Parents—Ministry to the Home <i>Conference will help teachers partner with parents in the spiritual nurturing of their children as they work together to impact the child's life.</i>	5	Kay Henry
Preschool Division and Department Directors: Motivation, Enlistment, Team Building <i>Interact with other directors to enhance communication and leadership skills.</i>	1–2 (cont'd)	Kay Henry
Preschool Teachers Wanna Know <i>Bring questions/ideas about preschool work to share in an open forum with other preschool leaders.</i>	2	Susan Phillips
The How's and Why's of Procedures and Policies <i>Conferees will take a close, practical look at the importance of procedures and policies in preschool ministry and how to develop them.</i>	3	Kay Henry
Using Books with Preschoolers <i>Experience the joy and learn the value of choosing and using books appropriate for preschoolers at home or church.</i>	1	Susan Phillips
Who Used Our Glue? <i>Conferees will examine creative ways that resources/rooms can be shared among the different organizations of the church.</i>	4	Kay Henry

CHILDREN

Demonstration of a Children's Sunday Morning Session <i>Experience an effective and exciting Sunday morning session.</i>	1 & 5	Janet Smith
Developing Children's Bible Skills <i>Teachers will discover what skills should be learned at each age and how to develop Bible skills in fun and interesting ways.</i>	2 & 4	Jo Anne Harper

Guiding Behavior of Children <i>Guidelines will be suggested for preventing behavior problems as well as for dealing with difficult behavior in children.</i>	3 & 5	Janice Haywood
How Do I "Care4Kids?" <i>Teaching children in Sunday School involves caring about all children—the children present, the children absent, as well as children who are prospective members. This session will explore ways busy teachers can "Care4Kids."</i>	1 & 3	Jo Anne Harper
How to Teach So Children Can Understand <i>Teachers will explore how to teach children with different styles of learning and how to use words and concepts children understand (concrete vs. symbolic language).</i>	4	Janice Haywood
Success Tips for Children's Sunday School Division Directors <i>Practical help will be offered for division directors (persons who coordinate the work of three or more children's classes or department).</i>	3-4 (cont'd)	Janet Smith
Success Training for New Children's Sunday School Teachers (less than 2 years) <i>New teachers will learn how to prepare to teach children, how to teach Bible truths effectively; and how to involve children in Bible study, prayer, and praise.</i>	1-2 (cont'd)	Janice Haywood
Talking with a Child About Conversion <i>Teachers will learn how a child's faith develops, how to teach evangelistically; and how to talk with a child about conversion.</i>	2	Janet Smith
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YOUTH

A Model Bible Study <i>Conferees will participate in an actual Bible study session using the 10 skills taught in sessions 3 & 4.</i>	5	Phil Stone
Get Organized for Ministry to Teens <i>How to's of getting organized in Youth Sunday School so you can do some real ministering with teens.</i>	5	Michael Woolridge
Non-Stop Methods <i>Creative methods for Teaching teens.</i>	3 & 4	Michael Capps
Re-Thinking Youth Christian Education (All Youth Leaders) <i>A look at cutting edge approaches to Youth Christian Education for the 21st century.</i>	1-2 (cont'd)	Phil Stone
Ten Skills for Building a Better Bible Study for Teenagers <i>Ten skills to help the youth Sunday School teacher create a Bible study that involves youth.</i>	3 & 4	Phil Stone
Wild and Wacky Workers Meetings <i>How to's of making workers meeting worth having.</i>	5	Michael Capps
You've Got the Power to Change Lives of Teenagers. Do it! <i>Reaching and Witnessing to Teenagers.</i>	3 & 4	Michael Woolridge

ADULT

911: Ministering to Adults Through Sunday School in Times of Crisis <i>All adults experience crises at some time during their life. Learn how a well-organized Sunday School can provide needed ministry in times of crisis.</i>	1 & 2	Ruth Murray
Adult Class Leadership — The Key to a Strong Adult Sunday School Class <i>To explain the importance of adult class leaders and to encourage teachers to develop believers through effective enlistment and training of class leaders.</i>	4 & 5	Vic Payne

Coloring Outside the Lines in Adult Sunday School Work <i>"Business as usual" will not reach the masses of adults for Bible study. How can we encourage creativity, innovation, and risk taking for more effective adult Sunday School work?</i>	1 & 2	Bo Prosser
Don't Forget the Learning Environment as You Teach Adults! <i>To describe the various facets of the learning environment and to heighten skills in using the environment for effective learning.</i>	5	Bo Prosser
How Should Adult Learning Styles Impact the Way I Teach? <i>Research in adult learning has revealed several preferred adult learning styles. What are these adult learning styles and how should they impact how I teach adults in Sunday School?</i>	3 & 4	Bo Prosser
I'm a New (Inexperienced) Adult Sunday School Teacher. What Do I Do? <i>To give new and inexperienced adult Sunday School teachers training in the basics for effective work in adult Sunday School.</i>	1-2 (cont'd)	Vic Payne
Target: Single Adults for Sunday School <i>Singles are the fastest growing group of adults in our society today. Discover how your church can use the Sunday School to touch singles in your community.</i>	5	Ruth Murray
Using Fellowships for Effective Outreach with Adults in Sunday School <i>Fellowships are one way to reach adults for Bible study. Learn how to use "fellowships" as an effective outreach tool.</i>	3 & 4	Ruth Murray
Why Have Adult Divisions and Departments in Sunday School? How Can I Be Effective as An Adult Division Director or A Department Director? <i>To explain the rationale for having adult Sunday School divisions and departments and to enhance the skills of those who serve as adult division or department directors.</i>	3	Vic Payne

GENERAL

Biography As Theology <i>Since every pastor works from a bias that is born out of experiences, this conference will provide an experience where participants tell others about their experiences in ministry.</i>	1	Jeffrey Wisdom
Finding and Developing All The Sunday School Workers You Need <i>Discover strategies for identifying people gifted for Bible Teaching-Reaching leadership, and discuss methods for developing their potential.</i>	3	Jim Fowler
Forum For Problem-Opportunities for Developing Healthy Churches <i>In a panel forum setting participants can help surface current issues challenging the development of healthy and growing churches.</i>	5	Jeffrey Wisdom & Robert Stewart
Fundamentals to Empower a Good and Growing Sunday School <i>Using "The Power To Change Lives" 1998-99 resource materials, conferees will learn the basic for and begin to develop a strategic plan for a powerful Bible Teaching ministry.</i>	1-2 (cont'd)	Jim Fowler
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FRIDAY

5:00 p.m.	Dinner
6:15–6:50 p.m.	General Session
7:00–8:10 p.m.	Session 1
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Preschool Teachers Wanna Know <i>Bring questions/ideas about preschool work to share in an open forum with other preschool leaders.</i>	2	Susan Phillips
Setting Up for Sunday Morning <i>A hands-on approach to setting up for a preschool teaching session.</i>	5	Sunshine Hickman
Teaching Younger Preschoolers <i>It's important to have quality teaching experiences for younger preschoolers. Explore various teaching techniques and their value for younger preschoolers.</i>	4	Sunshine Hickman
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Avoiding the "Saturday Night" Special! Planning to Teach Adults in Sunday School <i>Many teachers teach "poorly" because they plan "poorly." This conference will assist teachers with their planning skills as they are led in the development of an effective teaching/learning plan.</i>	3	Joyce Camp

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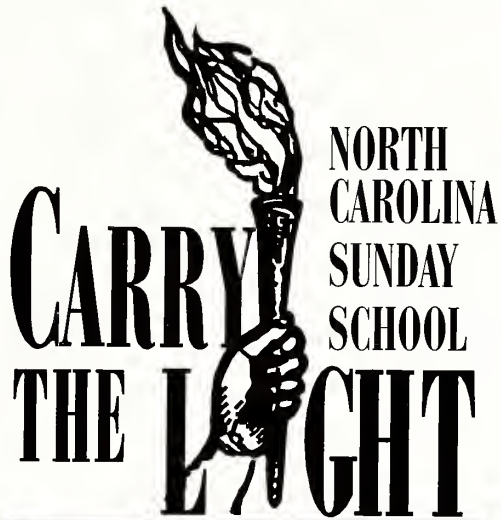
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*You Are Cordially Invited to
The Installation of
James Howard Royston
as the Thirteenth
Executive Director-Treasurer
of the
Baptist State Convention
of North Carolina
Sunday, October 4, 1998
4:00 p.m.*

*Mills Home Baptist Church
Baptist Children's Homes
of North Carolina
Thomasville, North Carolina*

EVENTS TO COME

**NC Southern Baptist
Secretaries Conference**
Ridgecrest—Nov. 2-4

Religious Education Association
Winston-Salem—Nov. 9

Baptist State Convention
Winston-Salem—Nov. 9-11

Baptist Men's Convention
Greensboro—Jan. 29-30, 1999

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800-395-5102 or 919-467-5100,
ext. 402 or 403)

Baptist Children's Homes
(Thanksgiving)—Nov. 15-22,
(Contact: Kathy Fields,
800-476-3669)

International Missions (Lottie
Moon Christmas)—Nov. 29-Dec. 5
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919-467-5100, ext. 235)

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healing broken families

**Baptist Children's Homes
Thanksgiving Offering**



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Secretaries Conference

November 2-4

We each need a touch from the Master's Hand sometimes. This year, North Carolina Southern Baptist secretaries can find spiritual, professional, emotional, and physical strengthening at the 1998 North Carolina Southern Baptist Secretaries Conference on November 2-4 at the North Carolina Baptist Assembly (Caswell) in **Southport**. The goal of the conference is to send participants back to their ministries realizing just how special they are and to remind them that they have been "Touched by the Master's Hand." This year's key speaker will be Karen White, past president of the National Association of Southern Baptist Secretaries.

A \$130 registration fee includes a membership fee of \$15. For more information or to register, contact Giovonnia Hennessee of Burkemont Church, Morganton, at (704) 437-2357.

Free Book for Pastors

How to Build a Strong SS

Learn more about how to build a strong Sunday School program at your church with a complimentary copy of *The Power to Change Lives*, a 216-page book filled with practical ideas. This special North Carolina edition of the basic planning tool for 1998-99 contains the annual planning helps plus dozens of articles, planning charts, teacher and worker training tools, and evangelistic resources.

For more information, contact your associational office or the Baptist Building at ext. 212 or rstewart@bscnc.org.

Church Building Conference

Practical Help for Facility Needs

Building or renovating your church facility is a big job, filled with seemingly endless challenges. The Fall Church Building Conference, held at First Church, **Mooreville**, can help your building program move from dream to reality. Whether your church is large or small, this one-day conference on Tuesday, October 13, from 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m., will address your concerns in every area. Specialists will be available to answer your specific questions.

The cost is \$12.50 per person and covers a meal, refreshment break, and a copy of *"Planning and Building Church Facilities."* Pre-register by mailing your check, made payable to the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, to Mary Conyers, Church Building/Planning, P.O. Box 1107, Cary, NC 27512-1107.

For more information, check the appropriate item on the back page or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 211 or mconyer@bscnc.org.

Pastoral Resources

Prepare for Fall Commitment Days

Are you ready to mobilize your church to reach out to the lost and unchurched in your community? You already have an important tool. A kit of new resources from the North American Mission Board and Lifeway Christian Resources (formerly the Baptist Sunday School Board) was recently mailed to all pastors. This resource will help churches plan and conduct Soul Winning Commitment Day on October 4 and High Attendance Day in Sunday School on October 25. This coincides with the "Celebrate Jesus" emphasis of the North American Mission Board and is implemented through Sunday School. It is called "Celebrate

Jesus—Going, Weeping, Sowing, Reaping—Psalm 126:5-6".

Kit resources include a theme poster, preparation suggestions, worship service ideas, four sermons, and more. The goal is to encourage churches to claim an area of homes as their spiritual responsibility for Soul-Winning Commitment Day, pray for the lost people in that area, place the Word of God in every unreached home, and invite unchurched people to attend Sunday School and worship.

For more information, check the appropriate item on the back page or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 227 or pstone@bscnc.org.

1999 Music and Worship Ministries Registration Book

Books were mailed to churches in September. If you did not receive yours, check the appropriate item on the back page, or call the Baptist Building at ext. 217 or bcanter@bscnc.org.

Center for Christian Growth Planned for Eastern North Carolina

By James Hagwood

A new and exciting program in continuing education is planned for Chowan College in Murfreesboro. The Center for Christian Growth and Development will operate under the auspices of Chowan College, the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, the Baptist General Convention of Virginia, and associations in northeastern North Carolina and southeastern Virginia.

The mission of the center is to assist ministers and lay persons in Christian growth and development skills in order to build and strengthen churches in redemptive ministry. Robert Stewart, leader of Congregational Growth, Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, and Stan Lott, president of Chowan College, have been instrumental in beginning this work.

A task force has been at work to formulate a mission statement and purpose for the center. A coordinating council composed of

two persons from the college, associations in North Carolina and Virginia, the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, and four persons at large is now at work developing curriculum for the center. Tom Bodkin, pastor of Rosemary Church in Roanoke Rapids, serves as chairman of the council.

The center will begin by offering two seminars. A one-day seminar entitled, "Helping Persons Know Right from Wrong," is scheduled for September 24 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. James Carter from Lifeway Christian Resources (formerly the Baptist Sunday School Board) will lead this seminar. Fred McGhee of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina will teach a second seminar called, "The Minister's Management of Self." This will be a two-day event on October 8-9, from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Participants in these seminars will be responsible for travel, meals, and lodging.

Additional courses will be offered by the center in the future. A survey of ministers' and lay persons' needs is being conducted to determine these future courses.

A kick-off rally for the center is scheduled for October 13. Ministers and lay persons in the area will receive additional information soon. For more information about the center, write The Center for Christian Growth and Development, P.O. Box 1848, Chowan College, Murfreesboro, NC 27855.

1999 Music Festivals

Register in January

Registration for all 1999 Music Festivals sponsored by Music and Worship will be open January 1-31, 1999. (Senior Adult Festival registration will be open until April 1, 1999.)

The 1999 schedule includes the Youth Choir/Instrumental Festivals at First Church, **Greensboro**, on March 12-13; Adult Handbell Festivals at Ridgecrest Conference Center, **Ridgecrest**, Wingate University, **Wingate**, and Meredith College, **Raleigh**, on February 26-27; Youth Handbell Festivals at New Hope Church, **Hickory**, and the East location to be announced, on February 19-20; and Senior Adult Choir Festival at Greensboro Complex, **Greensboro**, on April 27.

For more information, check your 1999 Music and Worship Team booklet, check the appropriate item on the back page, or call the Baptist Building at ext. 217 or bcanter@bscnc.org.

NC Baptist Singers Mission Trip

September 1999

This summer, Neal Eller and Dan Ridley spent two weeks in South Africa making new friends, experiencing worship in different cultures, and making plans for the North Carolina Baptist Singers' (NCBS) upcoming concert/mission trip in September 1999.

As part of the North Carolina Baptist partnership with South Africa, the Singers have been invited to sing for the South African Baptist General Assembly, which is similar to our NC

Baptist Convention, and to perform concerts for the Baptist Theological Colleges in Johannesburg and Cape Town. In addition to other concerts, the Singers will have mission opportunities in orphanages and hospitals.

For more information, check your 1999 Music and Worship Team booklet, check the appropriate item on the back page, or call the Baptist Building at ext. 217 or bcanter@bscnc.org.

NC Baptist All-State Choir

Auditions in January 1999

The mission of the All-State Youth Choir is to support and encourage youth choir ministry in North Carolina Baptist churches by offering worship through performance opportunities, musical development, and leadership development while striving for excellence in musicianship, resulting in changed lives.

All-State Youth Choir, directed by Clark Sorrells from First Church, Asheville, will begin with four days of rehearsals and leadership training at Wingate University, **Wingate**, followed by four days of touring

North Carolina and presenting concerts.

Youth in grades 9–12 may audition at one of 10 sites across North Carolina on January 23 or 30, 1999. Audition dates, locations, and forms can be found in the 1999 Music and Worship Opportunities Booklet.

For more information, check your 1999 Music and Worship Team booklet, check the appropriate item on the back page, or call the Baptist Building at ext. 217 or bcanter@bscnc.org.

Youth First Place Leader Training

November 13-14

Helping youth keep Christ first is a vital part of local church youth ministry. First Place can help. A First Place Conference for youth leadership will be held at the Baptist Building in **Cary** on November 13–14. This leadership conference is a comprehensive look at First Place, Youth Edition, and is designed to equip church leaders to lead youth in the local church through the materials. David Bennett from Lifeway Christian Resources will lead the training.

The cost is \$75, which includes lunch, refreshment breaks, workshop materials, and the following resources: Life of Jesus Bible Study, Encounters with God Bible Study, Meal Planner, and Leader Guide. The conference begins Friday at 6:30 p.m. and will end Saturday at 3 p.m.

For more information, check the appropriate item on the back page or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 219 or lmccoy@bscnc.org.

Master Control Rally

October 24–Meredith College

Are your students ready for a radical day of meeting other North Carolina youth, being challenged by tremendous youth leaders and students, and getting their walk with Christ back on track and growing? If so, sign them up for

“Master Control” at Meredith College in **Raleigh** on Saturday, October 24. This incredible day of discipleship for 7th–12th graders and their leaders will introduce your youth to the new MasterLife: Student Edition. Cost for the event

N.C. Baptist Singers

1998–1999 Schedule

- ◆ October 26, 1998 – *Durham Memorial Church, Charlotte*
- ◆ November 9–10, 1998 – *North Carolina Baptist State Convention, Winston-Salem*
- ◆ January 25, 1999 – *Viewmont Church, Hickory*
- ◆ March 15, 1999 – *Chowan College, Murfreesboro*
- ◆ April 26, 1999 – *Senior Adult Convention, Greensboro Complex, Greensboro*
- ◆ May 17, 1999 – *First Church, Wallace*

All concerts begin at 7:20 p.m. (except State Convention and Senior Adult Convention) and include Men's Chorus, Women's Chorus, and Brass and Wind Ensemble.

Their newest CD, “Expression of Gratitude,” can be purchased at concerts or call the Baptist Building at ext. 217. Proceeds from the CDs assist in the North Carolina Baptist Singers Concert/Mission Tour of South Africa in September 1999.

For more information, check your 1999 Music and Worship Team booklet, check the appropriate item on the back page, or call the Baptist Building at ext. 217 or bcanter@bscnc.org.

is only \$10 per person. Registration for the day begins from 8:30–9:00 a.m., and activities end at 5:30 p.m.

For more information, check the appropriate item on the back page or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 219 or lmccoy@bscnc.org.

Bible Drill/Speakers' Tournament Trainings

Four North Carolina Locations

Last year, more than 1200 older children and youth participated in Children's Bible Drill, Youth Bible Drill, and Youth Speakers' Tournament. Through these events, they developed Bible skills, memorized Scripture, and learned to share their faith verbally. If you would like to learn more about these programs which are designed to help your children and youth grow in their knowledge and

understanding of God's Word, you are invited to attend one of the four conferences available this fall.

On Monday, October 26, conferences will be held at Crest View Church, **Caldwell Association**, and Samaria Church, **Raleigh Association**. On Tuesday, October 27, conferences will be held at Glorieta Church, **Cabarrus Association**, and Creech Memorial Church, **West Chowan**

Association. All conferences will be held from 7-9 p.m. Two conferences will be provided at each location: one for church leaders and one for associational leaders.

For more information, check the appropriate item on the back page or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 219 or lmccoy@bscnc.org.

STATEWIDE DEACON/SPOUSE AND CHURCH LEADERSHIP

October 9-10
Caraway Conference Center

**JESUS ON
LEADERSHIP**

SPEAKER:
Chris Johnson,
Lifeway Christian Resources

**ALSO: "Ministry-Based Small
Group Conferences"**

COST PER PERSON: \$48.25

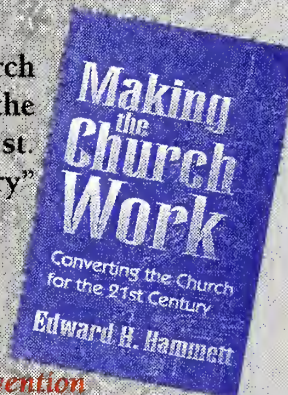
*To register, contact the
Baptist Building at ext. 202.*

October 16-17

Baptist Assembly (Caswell)

**"Making the Church
Work: Converting the
Church for the 21st
Century"**

SPEAKER:
Eddie Hammet,
Baptist State Convention
Deacon Consultant



COST PER PERSON: \$51.25

*To register, contact the
Baptist Assembly (Caswell)
at (910) 278-9501.*

CELEBRATING 75 YEARS

NC Baptists Support Ministry With College Students Through Baptist Student Union

North Carolina is celebrating 75 years of ministry through the Baptist Student Union. North Carolina Baptists felt the need for ministry with college students at the same time the national convention established an organization for student work. In 1922, the year that Frank Leavell was named to head SBC student work, the North Carolina annual stated, "We need sorely, a young man, splendidly equipped and thoroughly trained for this special student work, to give all of his time to student activities." Shortly thereafter, Mrs. C.A. Williams was chosen as student worker "for Baptist girls" attending North Carolina College for Women at Greensboro (now UNCG).

Thus for more than 75 years North Carolina Baptists have supported ministry with college students. During the 1998-99 school year we want to find ways to celebrate this ministry in our state.

The alumni newsletter is one means of celebration. Each local BSU program has developed an alumni mailing list and newsletter. Through this publication we want to make you more aware of what is happening in campus ministry across the state. Also, we want you to be aware of how you might be supportive of our continuing ministry with students. We invite you to join us in celebrating 75 years of BSU.



75 Years of Great Leadership Continues

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1979	Tommy Wilson	Wingate
1980	Debbie Bennett Reynolds	Wake Forest
1981	Leila Shepherd Stennett	UNC-Chapel Hill
1982	Chris Wylie	Appalachian
1983	Steve Roper	Appalachian
1984	Mike Everhard	Pembroke State
1985	Gina Worley	UNC-Asheville
1986	Mark Medley	UNC-Chapel Hill
1987	Susan Goins Epley	NC State
1988	Kendell Cameron	Appalachian
1989	Tommy Beam	Appalachian
1990	Amanda Carroll Johnson	Meredith
1991	Chris Copeland	Wake Forest
1992	Tammy Condrey	Mars Hill
1993	Byron Greene	Appalachian
1994	Jim Johnson	UNC-Chapel Hill
1995	Bill Stanfield	UNC-Chapel Hill
1996	Lisa McDonald	UNC-Greensboro
1997	Michael Langford	Lenoir-Rhyne
1998	Charity Roberson	UNC-Greensboro
1999	Nicholas Allen	Appalachian

Meet BSU Alumni at Celebration in Winston-Salem

When the Baptist State Convention meets in Winston-Salem, November 9–11, there will be a special focus on Youth and Campus Ministries and the Celebration of 75 years of BSU. We want to encourage all BSU alumni to participate in this gathering.

On Tuesday evening, November 10, the Division of Youth and Campus

Ministries will have 20 minutes on the Convention program to highlight its work. We would like to have the floor level of the coliseum filled with present and former BSUers. Following the presentation there will be an opportunity to greet and speak to fellow alumni at a BSU reception.

In addition to the Tuesday evening

presentation, we will have 75 years of BSU memorabilia on display in the exhibition hall. We invite you to browse and look at the pictures and historical material. We also invite you to bring memorabilia for display. (Call Youth and Campus Ministries for more information: 800–395–5102 or 919–467–5100 ext. 320).

Looking Ahead

For 75 years the Baptist Student Union has been a positive influence for North Carolina Baptists. We are poised to continue this tradition as we enter the 21st Century.

While the focus of ministry will be the undergraduate student, other ministry emphases have emerged. In 1995, Dan McClintock became the first campus minister to work full-time with international students. Because of the impact of McClintock's work in Charlotte, we are projecting similar ministries in the Triad and Triangle areas.

However, for these new ministries to become a reality while we maintain the quality of ministry that has characterized the last three quarters of a century, we will need increased support of alumni and friends. The Convention has provided personnel support and the basic costs of maintaining the eight Baptist Student Centers, but local campus ministers are now responsible for securing programming funds.

Gifts from alumni and friends help fund interns, provide scholarships for students to participate in retreats and statewide gatherings, and enable the campus minister to add a little "color" to the student center. These gifts that enhance our ministry on campuses are really investments in the lives of future leaders.

Just as many of North Carolina Baptists' leaders over the past 75 years have been products of the Baptist Student Union, we believe that the Convention's ministry with students will produce many of the leaders for our churches in the 21st Century. We invite you to support this effort to shape young lives and develop leaders. Contact the campus minister at your alma mater or call Youth and Campus Ministries in Cary – 800–395–5102 ext. 320 (in state); 919–467–5100 ext. 320 (out of state) – to discover specific ways you can support campus ministry in North Carolina.



BSU Gets Students Interested in Missions

Baptist Student Union and missions are almost synonymous. For many people their fondest memories of BSU are the spring break or summer mission experiences.

Many of you may remember LISTEN – the acronym Love Impels Sacrifice Toward Every Need – which was the name of the mission program for a number of years. Even though LISTEN is no longer used as the program name, the acronym is still descriptive of the student mission program.

In 1953, North Carolina BSUers sent two students to Jamaica. In 1998, 13 students served in some kind of foreign mission assignment; 37 students were placed in ministry assignments funded through student-raised money. Students continue to be involved in securing funds for missions – the 1997–98 budget was \$97,300. Students continue to be involved in doing missions –

both during the summer and during the school year.

Part of the 75th Celebration will be a SPRING BREAK MISSION EXTRAVAGANZA. During the first three weeks of March 1999 BSUs from across the state will send students to the Charlotte area to participate in this mission blitz. Students will be involved in building a Habitat House, working on churches and ministering in housing projects, among other things. By having all the BSUs work in the same area, we hope to focus on the fact that students are interested and involved in missions.

Can alumni participate? Yes! We need money! Perhaps you thought your days of giving to student missions ended when you graduated. We are pleased to offer you the opportunity to "keep on giving." Your gifts will supplement what students are giving to make this MISSION EXTRAVAGANZA happen. (Call Youth and Campus Ministries for more information 800–395–5102 or 919–467–5100 ext. 320).

Check Us Out On Line

Thanks to Joe Clontz, the Division of Youth and Campus Ministries is on line. Visit our website:

www.concentric.net/~jclontz/division.html.

This will enable you to stay abreast of what is happening in campus ministry in our state.



Baptist Campus Ministries

Sponsored by the Division of Youth and Campus Ministries

Baptist State Convention of North Carolina

(800) 395–5102, or (919) 467–5100, ext. 320

Marriage Enrichment Retreat

First Ever for Youth Ministers and Spouses

Youth ministers have asked for a marriage enrichment retreat especially designed for their challenging lives, and here it is!

John and Connie Lepper of the Kentucky Baptist Fellowship will lead a marriage enrichment retreat focused on the unique relational dynamics of the youth minister and spouse. The event will include sessions with lots of interaction, fun, food, and plenty of "homework" time. Held on March 4-6, 1999 immediately following the Youth Ministers' Continuing Education Retreat at Beach Cove

Resort in **North Myrtle Beach**, South Carolina, the cost is \$175 per couple, which includes lodging and program fee. You do not have to attend the Continuing Education Retreat to come to the Marriage Enrichment Retreat.

Register for this event with the same form you use to register for the Continuing Education Retreat. Don't delay! Space is limited to the first 20 couples.

For more information, check the appropriate item on the back page or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 311 or hmilton@bscnc.org.

Caswell Summer Camp Dates

- May 31-June 5:
Youth Evangelism Week I and Baptist Men's "Boot Camp"
- June 7-12:
Youth Conference I
- June 14-19:
Youth Conference II
- June 21-26:
Youth Evangelism Week II
- June 28-July 3:
Youth Evangelism Week III

- July 5-10: Music Week (Children, Youth, and Adults)
- July 12-17:
World Missions Week
- July 19-24:
Youth Conference III
- July 26-31:
Youth Conference IV
- August 2-7:
Youth Evangelism Week IV

The 1999 summer camp schedule has moved up one week earlier because of the shift in the public school system calendar.

Spring Fling Retreats

1999 Dates

Ready for a 1999 Spring Fling? This year's dates are April 9-11, April 16-18, April 23-25, and May 14-16. All youth from churches without full-time youth ministers are invited to the retreats, which will be held at the Baptist Assembly (**Caswell**). Cost is \$50 per person, which includes



barracks lodging, meals, snacks, and program fee. A flyer with a registration form will be included in the January youth ministry mailing, or check the appropriate item on the back page or contact the Baptist Building at ext. 311 or hmilton@bscnc.org.

NC Baptist Youth Ministers Association

Fall Meeting—Nov. 9, 1998

Our fall meeting will be held during the Baptist State Convention this year at College Park Church in **Winston-Salem**. The event begins with golf at the Long Creek Country Club at 10 a.m. Green fee and cart plus lunch is only \$29. The fall meeting schedule is: fellowship at 4 p.m., business session at 5 p.m., and dinner at 6 p.m.

Call Ramon Smith at (336) 768-5870 for golf tee times by October 8, and meal reservations by November 1.

A block of rooms at the Days Inn on Silas Creek Parkway has been reserved for youth ministers who would like to stay together. Cost is \$55 per room and includes a continental breakfast. Call the hotel at (336) 760-4770 and identify yourself as a "NCBYMA" member for reservations before October 8.

Youth Ministers' Retreat

Continuing Ed Sessions

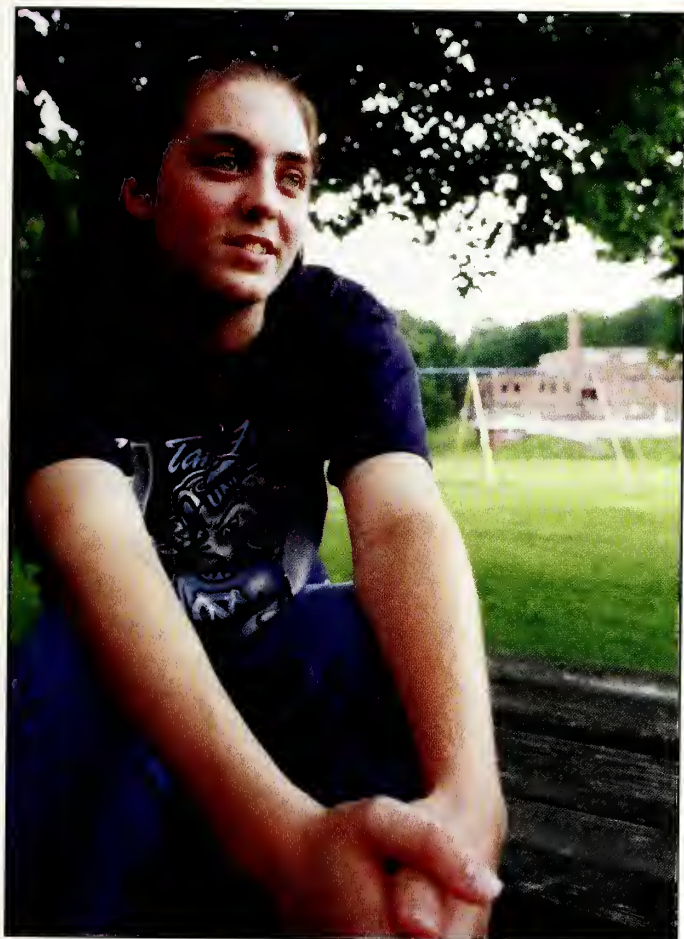
Help your youth ministers expand their expertise at the annual continuing education retreat for full-time/combination ministers of youth at Beach Cove Resort in **North Myrtle Beach, SC**. The purpose of the retreat, which will be held March 1-4, 1999, is to gather youth ministers from North and South Carolina and help them learn more about working with teens, their parents, and their adult leaders.

Cost is \$210, which covers lodging, banquet, two luncheons, and the program fee. Golf is available on one afternoon for \$25.

BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES

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helping hurting children... healing broken families



Christy's deep eyes are portals to pain, a suffering she's overcoming at Baptist Children's Homes. (photo by Jennifer B. Hamer)

'No Pain, Big Gain' For Christy at BCH

Christy used to dread getting out of bed because she didn't know if that day would bring another busted lip or broken arm.

She was encouraged to leave home, told that nobody wanted her. "I've had a rough life," she says. "I've been through about anything I can possibly go through."

Christy, a tall, athletic teen with a reluctant smile, delivers her personal story like a letter dropped into an anonymous mailbox at a shuttered house on a nameless street. Quietly, she recounts her own anger igniting family hostilities.

Has short fuse

She admits carrying a short fuse, and around family it seemed easily lit.

"I can't live in a mess," she says. "I need peace and quiet. If I can't get that, I go off by myself. If I don't, I get frustrated, and lose my temper."

At Mills Home since November 1997, she has done well in school, and tutored two other residents. "Learning comes easy to me," she says, "and I want to help someone if I can."

Crisis cottage worker Julie Saxon was a real friend when Christy first came to Mills Home. "Julie helped me turn my life around," Christy says, her face at last beginning to brighten. "She was there for me when I needed somebody...Nobody wanted me. It was fun being around Julie. She showed me she cared about me and that I could be loved and that she wanted me around."

"She helped me learn to control my anger. She was a good role model. I learned I needed to be good in life. Just because somebody hurt me doesn't mean everybody's like that. She was always there to give me a hug and cheer me up when I needed it, even if I was at rock bottom."

Planning to live

Julie couldn't realize how important her friendship was, or how close Christy came to giving up, especially when her grandparents were murdered, and memories of abuse she'd blocked for years came flooding back. Christy admits to two suicide attempts, and believed she would never see age 16.

Even now, there are days Christy wants to stay in bed. But she goes to school and earns mostly "A"s, stars on the varsity basketball team, tutors other residents in math and is planning to attend college to study a helping profession.

She is planning to live, not plotting to die. Her scars don't keep her from loving her parents, but she doesn't plan to return home.

Baptist Children's Homes is giving her reasons to live.

Week of Prayer Nov. 15-22

THANKSGIVING OFFERING

Each day when she prays, Christy expresses thanks for life at Mills Home. She is slowly gaining control of her trigger temper that was both a defense and a howl of pain at home. She no longer wakes up fearing a beating, or wondering how she will have to defend herself today.

Christy is one of 1,560 young people with similar stories that your Baptist Children's Homes served last year - and is serving still. Four of the 1998 graduates are going to Wake Forest, Campbell, Carson-Newman and Carolina Central universities. Others have also gathered their lives about them like hoop skirts and are stepping into a brave new world made possible through BCH's caring ministry. Each year North Carolina Baptists receive a special offering to support the children and families served by their Children's Homes. **The goal is \$800,000. Will you help?**

NEED A SPEAKER?

CALL C. F. McDOWELL AT (800) 476-3669

Teach Discipline

...teaching **discipline** early
makes **punishment** much
less necessary

By Mary Lou Dickey
BCH Director of Day Care Services

Discipline is a tough issue for most parents. Its difficulty level is easily observed in our society, where undisciplined children and young people ruin furnishings, disrupt public events and control their parents with outrageous demands.

Many people know only one discipline technique and that is the big "S" - spanking. Let's look at some other techniques which may be more effective in establishing a disciplined atmosphere.

■ **Establish routines.** Children like to feel comfortable as they look forward to a new day. To cut down on a child's frustration due to change, a child needs similar routines, day after day. This comforts and provides security. A secure, happy child will have fewer discipline problems.

It is very important to "walk the fence" between telling children about changes in routines too early and causing anxiety, and not telling them soon enough and causing the child to be insecure.

Holidays are an example. At Christmas, for instance, it is probably best not to decorate too early - thereby changing the child's environment and causing insecurity. Do not begin talking about grandparents coming until close to the time of the visit. Time has little meaning to the young child and anticipation about holidays and visitors should not be prolonged.

■ **Use lots of verbal and nonverbal reinforcers** for what you consider good behavior or even attempts at good behavior.

Verbal reinforcers: terrific, super, wow, super duper, keen, fine and dandy, fantastic, grand, excellent, nifty.

Nonverbal reinforcers: being near your child, touching your child, patting, hugging, smiling, holding your child's

COMMON CHARACTERISTICS AT CERTAIN AGES			
AGE			CHARACTERISTICS
2 years	5 years	10 years	Smooth and even, harmonized
2 1/2 years	5 1/2-6	11	Disoriented, breaking up
3	6 1/2	12	Rounded, balanced
3 1/2	7	13	Turning inward to examine themselves - leads to first time of self-doubt
4	8	14	Energetic, combustible
4 1/2	9	15	Turning toward infancy one day, turning toward adulthood the next day. Very confused about their abilities most of the time
5	10	16	Smooth, consolidated

hand, winking, clapping, thumbs up, OK signal.

■ **Having clearly defined and enforceable rules** that are reasonable for your child's age and abilities.

Rules provide guidelines and boundaries, order and routine. Rules provide knowledge about what is acceptable and what is not. It is as important to enforce the rules as it is to have them.

Your child **will** test the rules. That doesn't mean he or she is an incorrigible rebel. It means the child is feeling out the boundaries. If you don't enforce the rules, the boundaries are too liquid and the child is insecure.

Spanking is really a punishment, not a discipline that provides a security fence. You want to establish discipline so spanking is unnecessary.

Don't shout and don't argue with your young child. Establish a consequence for when rules are disregarded, then simply and quietly enforce it.

■ **Change "time out" to "take a break."** Find a quiet corner. Put down some pillows for the "take a break" area. Play quiet music while your child sits in

"take a break." This will help your child become calm and less aggressive.

Feel the difference between this "take a break" time and a "time out" where you **march** the child to a chair, slam him down and say, "Sit there (for the rest of your life) and think about what you've done!"

■ **Understand ages and stages of development** and have rules that fit your child's current needs and abilities. (See the chart above)

Example: All toddlers climb. Have a **homemade** climbing area somewhere in the house. When you find your toddler on the top of the cabinets, take the child down and say, "I can't let your climb on the cabinets, but you can climb **here**" as you set the child on the homemade climbing area.

If you know there are cycles of behavior you can better know what to expect from your child, and you can be more patient, knowing that most all children go through the same cycles.

This article adapted from "Stage Coach: Coaching Tips for 10 Tough Life Stages" published by Baptist Children's Homes. For your free copy, write Stage Coach, PO Box 338, Thomasville, NC 27361-0338.

Baptist Children's Homes -

Web Site: www.bchfamily.org

helping hurting children ... healing broken families

Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina provides residential and in-home services to children and families in the midst of family breakdown or who need to strengthen relationships.

Often children have been abused or neglected by parents or guardians. Sometimes young people come into emergency care for their own protection or as a refuge when crisis strikes.

Services vary from residential

care, to day care, maternity home, therapeutic camping, behavioral change, teen mothers with their babies and emergency care.

Few residents are "orphans" with no living parent, but are "orphans of living parents." They are "orphaned" when parents no longer want them, or raise them in a way that forces them to adopt unacceptable behaviors.

Social workers work with the young person's parent or guardian to help that person address their behaviors that contributed to the family problem. Often,

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A Long Walk Home

Call Carol Eggers
(800) 476-3669

A dramatic re-creation of events bringing three children to BCH. 17 minutes

FREE

because child and guardian work together to achieve behavioral goals, the family can be reunited. When family dysfunction prohibits reunification, the young person can stay at BCH.

To access a BCH service, call the service area nearest you.

Western Area

◆ 111 Sneed Drive ◆ Clyde 28721 ◆ (828) 627-9254

Lenoir Area

◆ 4475 Union Baptist Road ◆ Lenoir 28645 ◆ (828) 757-0700

Thomasville Area

◆ PO Box 338 ◆ Thomasville 27361 ◆ (336) 474-1200

Kinston Area

◆ 2557 Cedar Dell Lane ◆ Kinston 28504 ◆ (252) 522-0811

Pembroke Area

◆ PO Box 967 ◆ Pembroke 28372 ◆ (910) 521-3433



B C H S E R V I C E S

Residential Care

Campuses in Thomasville, Kinston, Pembroke and Waynesville/Clyde. Children and families resolve issues.

Emergency Care

Homes on each residential campus provide up to 60 days of care for children who must be removed from their living situation immediately.

Maternity Home

Opened in 1970, this service offers women the time and guidance to make wise decisions about their future and that of their baby. Asheville.

Care House

For teenage mothers and their babies. Lenoir.

Therapeutic Camping

Fifty boys sort out their lives in the wilderness, living year round in shelters they build themselves. Moore County.

Social Work Services

Referrals, crisis intervention, co-planning and advanced education.

Value Change

Girls who cannot solve conflict without confrontation learn to live with rules. Franklin.

Day Care Services

Model centers care for 350 children and help churches establish day care ministry. Thomasville. Michael C. Blackwell has been president of BCH since July 1, 1983.



THANKSGIVING Offering & YOU

The Thanksgiving Offering for children and families served at Baptist Children's Homes helps meet the daily needs of more than 1,500 children each year.

Your gifts provide food, clothing, medical expenses, school supplies, athletic equipment, transportation, Christian educational materials and building maintenance expenses for children in care. It also includes the most crucial need - staff who care.

An information packet is on its way to your church pastor and WMU leader by Oct. 1.

Please help ensure your church doesn't miss this opportunity to give hope, and build families.

Call C.F. McDowell to secure your Thanksgiving Offering speaker: (800) 476-3669

Alicia's Independence Finally Wins Reward

Alicia Diaz has wanted to attend Wake Forest University since a foster mother encouraged her at age 15. "Before that, I'd never thought about college," says Alicia, whose dream came true this Fall when she enrolled at Wake Forest to study psychology.

In two years at Broyhill Home, Alicia excelled in every way. She was an "A" student and athlete, and held leadership positions in Interact, Future Business Leaders of America, National Honor Society, Broyhill Campus Council, and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. She made a summer missions trip to Honduras and to a leadership seminar in Colorado, using money she earned working at Pizza Hut and Shoney's.

"Sometimes I like to pretend I'm 'normal,' that I have normal parents and all," Alicia says. "I didn't want to stand out, I wanted to be ordinary. Now I realize I'm not ordinary, I'm extraordinary. (Child Care Workers) Mr. and Mrs. Grantham helped me to realize that."

Tanned and almost six feet tall, with dark, wavy hair cascading down her back and a brilliant smile, Alicia looks extraordinary. At the spring Awards Banquet, she won top honors in academics, athletics, work program and "most cooperative."

Growing up, Alicia's independent streak was interpreted as rebellion. Her father left home when Alicia was six. Siblings collected pennies for cereal and used food stamp change for gas.



Alicia is living her dream at Wake Forest University.

When her father came back six years later, Alicia wasn't ready to give up the independence she'd gained in his absence. The power struggle forced a separation, and Alicia wound her way through four foster homes before finding Broyhill.

Alicia says her entire life had been a "power struggle" with adults who thought she was a manipulator. Broyhill, however, "is not threatened by a child being an individual," Alicia says, with gratitude. "Broyhill supports me 100 percent. They support the individual to become their best."

Having 'Seen It All,' Various Not Tempted

Various Jones has fixed his eyes toward a lifelong dream of college, and he is not going to let temptations keep him from being successful.

"I'm gonna go the other way when I see a bad example," he said.

Life forced Various, 18, to grow up quickly. One of 14 children, he saw alcohol and drugs take control of his mother's life.

His dad, who was 30 years older, took care of the children until his health failed. Various and a younger brother lived for two turbulent years with their half-sister. But Various argued with his brother-in-law continually and four years ago was placed at Kennedy Home.

"I thought her husband was treating me bad at the time," explained Various. "I thought he was a mean person. I realized later it wasn't him being mean, but that I was rebelling against his rules."

Although he sometimes struggled with living in a group home, Various soon learned it was an opportunity, not a restriction, on a second chance at life. "I saw they weren't trying to hold me down here and that I should try to take advantage of my opportunities, like the chance to go to college."

In high school, Various was an honor student, active in sports, ministry and clubs, and worked up to 35 hours a week.

"Living at Kennedy has brought out my strengths," said Various. "I knew I had them, I just didn't use them. It's made me a stronger person. I understand I can't just do anything I want because there is always gonna be rules in life to follow."

Various is the only Kennedy Home resident who can drive an agency car. He is studying accounting at NC Central University and plans one day to manage his own firm.



Various is bound not to be swayed by temptations.

10 'P' Ways to be INVOLVED

- **Pray** for residents and staff;
- **Provide** supplies of all kinds;
- **Pay** attention to the priority needs list on each campus;
- **Promote** BCH awareness in your community;
- **Participate** in the Mile of Pennies Campaign;
- **Peruse** the BCH Web Site at www.bchfamily.org;
- **Put** BCH in your will, which makes you an automatic member of the I.G. Greer Society;
- **Paint**, carpet, plumb, roof, and help with maintenance on the dozens of BCH buildings state-wide;
- **PHONE** (800) 476-3669 and ask for a BCH speaker to come to your church;
- **Please** encourage your church to receive a Thanksgiving Offering.

VOCATIONAL EVANGELISTS CONFERENCE

January 21-22, 1999
Caraway

For more information and
registration, contact the
Baptist Building at ext. 447
or mherring@bscnc.org

Prayer Conferences

1998 and 1999 Dates

The Conference on Prayer for
Spiritual Awakening and Evangelism
will be held at First Church, **Kings
Mountain**, on October 2-3, 1998.
Guest speakers will be Don Miller
from Fort Worth, Texas, and Chris
Schofield from Alpharetta, Georgia.
The conference will include plenary
sessions and breakout seminars.

A national prayer conference,
entitled "Great Commission
Praying," with Henry Blackaby will
be held March 19-20, 1999 at
Pleasant Garden Church,
Greensboro. Other conference
speakers include Mary Ann
Bridgewater, David Bruce, Evelyn
Christensen, Steve Hawthorne, Alvin
Reid, Christ Schofield, and Al
Vandergrind.

For more information, check
the appropriate item on the back
page or call the Baptist Building at
ext. 453 or njones@bscnc.org.

Evangels/Witness Events

Host One at Your Church

Would you like to reach more
youth for Christ? Why not host an
Evangels or Witness youth
evangelism event at your church?
Concert applications for both Baptist
State Convention youth evangelism
teams are available to churches and

associations for the June-August
1999 season. For more information,
check the appropriate item on the
back page or contact the Baptist
Building at ext. 447 or
mherring@bscnc.org.

Evangels/Witness Student Applications

How to Get More Information

Do you have a college student
in your church with exceptional
music or drama ability? Tell them
about Evangels and Witness. To
receive a student information

packet, contact the Baptist Building
at ext. 447 or mherring@bscnc.org.
Students may be attending a college
in or outside North Carolina.

FALL YOUTH EVANGELISM RETREAT

November 20-22
Caswell

Music, Drama,
Recreation

Lance Shumake,
guest speaker

Cost is only \$60/person

For more information or
to register, contact the
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decision for Christ and given
the opportunity to request free
Bible study materials.

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IMPORTANT DATE CHANGE!

Note that the 1999 State Evangelism Conference will now be held on
January 11-12, 1999 at Calvary Church in Winston-Salem.

Celebrate Your Faith And Your Life

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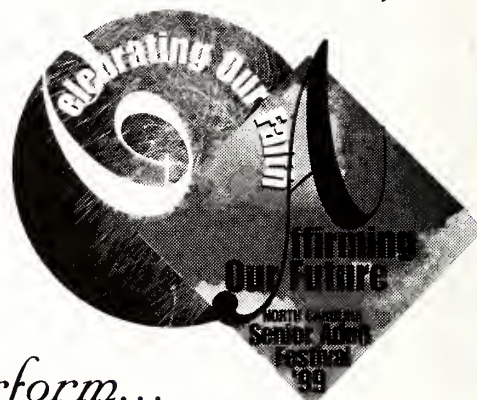
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Sing...

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FIRST-EVER statewide festival for Baptist seniors! Cost for the Convention of \$40, in addition to expenses for meals and lodging. For more information, contact the Department of Aging, Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, 1-800-395-5102, ext. 402 or 409.

BAPTIST HISTORIC SITE NOMINATION FORM

The Historical Committee of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina would like to recognize a Baptist historic site, or a notable Baptist person, during the report to the convention this fall. The following form may be duplicated and used for your nomination. Please send to: Mrs. Gwen Causey, chair, Historical Marker Subcommittee, 946 Little Macedonia Rd. NW, Supply, N.C. 28462.

1. Name of Baptist Historic Site _____
2. Location _____
3. Contact Person's name, address, and phone number _____
4. Reason (s) for recognition
_____ Age (Coastal before 1776, Piedmont before 1800, _____ Architectural importance of church building
Mountain before 1820)
_____ Important event(s) relating to Baptist life _____ Notable Baptist persons
5. Region of state (Coastal, Piedmont, Mountain) _____
6. Historical Information (Use straight-forward, undisputed historical facts. This will aid the committee to prepare wording for plaque. Include significant evidence of importance. Authenticate or verify the information with documentary evidence—church minutes, Baptist History Center at Wake Forest University, printed books or manuscripts, etc.) _____

BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION ANNUAL SESSION – NOVEMBER 9–11, 1998 – WINSTON-SALEM, NC

CONVENTION PROGRAM

Monday Evening, November 9

- 6:30 Convene 168th Annual Baptist State Convention of North Carolina
- Hymn
- Scripture and Prayer
- 7:00 Welcome — Mayor of Winston-Salem
- Committee Reports
- Enrollment Committee
- Program/Place and Preacher Committee
- Local Arrangements Committee
- 7:15 Recognitions
- Visitors and first-time messengers
- Presidents of institutions and agencies
- Trustees
- SBC representatives
- New pastors, church staff and retired staff persons
- Former Convention presidents
- Other guests
- 7:30 Worship
- Scripture Reading
- Convention Message
- 9:00 Closing Prayer

Tuesday Morning, November 10

- 8:30 Convene
- 8:35 Hymn
- Scripture and Prayer
- 8:45 General Board Report
- 9:45 Hymn
- 9:50 Address
- 10:05 Special Report — North Carolina Baptist Hospitals, Inc.
- 10:25 *Election of President
- 10:45 Committee Reports
- Committee on Nominations
- Committee on Committees
- Resolutions Committee
- 10:55 Hymn
- 11:00 Miscellaneous Business
- 11:15 Special Music
- 11:30 Convention President's Address
- 12:00 Closing Prayer

Tuesday Afternoon, November 10

- 1:50 Convene
- 2:00 Hymn
- Scripture and Prayer
- 2:10 Special Report: Council on Christian Higher Education — Mars Hill College
- 2:30 General Board Report

- 3:20 Hymn
- 3:25 Special Report: Biblical Recorder
- 3:45 *Elections: First Vice President; Second Vice President, Recording Secretary and Assistant Recording Secretary
- 4:05 Miscellaneous Business
- 4:20 Closing Prayer

Tuesday Evening, November 10

- 7:00 Convene
- 7:15 Hymn
- Scripture and Prayer
- 7:25 Special Report: Youth and Campus Ministries
- 7:45 Theme Interpretation
- 7:55 Hymn and Call to Prayer
- 8:05 Executive Director's Address
- 9:00 Closing Prayer

Wednesday Morning, November 11

- 8:30 Convene
- 8:35 Hymn
- 8:40 Theme Interpretation
- 8:50 *General Board Report (1999 Budget)
- 9:50 Hymn
- 9:55 Historical Committee Report
- 10:05 Memorials Committee Report
- 10:20 Resolutions Committee
- Enrollment Committee
- 10:30 Miscellaneous Business
- 10:40 Presentation of New Officers
- 10:45 Closing Prayer
- Adjourn

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1998 HOTELS AND MEETING FACILITIES HIGHLIGHTED

HOTELS IN WINSTON-SALEM

- 1a. Adam's Mark—West Tower**
460 N. Cherry Street
Single: \$78 / Double: \$88
(336) 725-3500
- 1b. Adam's Mark—East Tower**
425 N. Cherry Street
Single: \$78 / Double: \$88
(336) 725-3500
- 2. Hawthorne Inn**
420 High Street
\$69 (336) 777-3000
- 3. Salem Inn**
127 S. Cherry Street
Single: \$52 / Double: \$58
(336) 725-8561
- 4. Regency Inn**
128 N. Cherry Street
\$57 (336) 723-8861
- 5. Innkeeper—Broad Street**
200 S. Broad Street
\$48.99 (336) 721-0061
- 6. Innkeeper—Peters Creek**
2115 Peters Creek Parkway
\$51.99 (336) 721-0062
- 7. Comfort Inn—Cloverdate**
110 Miller Street
\$751 (336) 721-0220
- 8. Holiday Inn—Hanes Mall**
2008 S. Hawthorne Road
\$61 (336) 765-6670

- 9. Days Inn—Hanes Mall**
3330 Silas Creek Parkway
\$55 (760) 4770
- 10. Hampton Inn I-40**
1990 Hampton Inn Court
\$76 (336) 760-1660
- 11. Microtel Inn—Hanes Mall**
100 Capitol Lodging Court
\$55 (336) 659-1994
- 12. Comfort Suites—Hanes Mall**
200 Capitol Lodging Court
\$72 (336) 774-0805
- 13. Best Western Stratford Park**
1680 Westbrook Plaza Drive
\$68.99 (336) 765-6062
- 14. Ramada Inn—Clemmons**
6205 Ramada Drive—Clemmons
\$58 (336) 766-9121
- 15. Ramada Plaza—Coliseum**
3050 University Parkway
\$70 (336) 723-2911
- 16. Holiday Inn—Select**
5790 University Parkway
\$72 (336) 767-9595
- 17. Hampton Inn—University**
5719 University Parkway
King Study: \$65 / Double: \$71
(336) 767-9009
- 18. Commfort Inn—Coliseum**
531 Akron Drive
\$50 (336) 767-8240

MEETING FACILITIES (All in Winston-Salem)

- A Lawrence Joel Veterans Memorial Coliseum**
(Site for Annual Session)
2825 University Parkway
(336) 725-5635
- B Ardmore Church**
501 Miller Street
(336) 725-8767
- C Becks Church**
5505 Becks Church Road
(336) 924-2178
- D Calvary Church**
5000 Country Club Road
(336) 765-5542
- E College Park Church**
1701 Polo Road
(336) 768-5870
- F First Church**
501 Fifth Street
(336) 722-2558
- G Knollwood Church**
330 Knollwood Street
(336) 725-1343

NOTE: Hotel room rates do not include the NC state sales and local occupancy taxes.

1998 MEETINGS IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ANNUAL BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION

PASTORS' CONFERENCE

Date: November 8-9 (Sunday & Monday)
Time: Sunday evening 6:30 p.m.; Monday 9:00 a.m. & concludes at 4:30 p.m.
Place: Calvary Church
 5000 Country Club Road, Winston-Salem
Contact person: Hampton Drum (704) 876-1520

NC BAPTIST MINISTERS' WIVES

Date: November 9
Time: 2:00 - 4:00 p.m., Speaker: Teresa Brown, Charlotte
 (Subject: "Be Still and Know..." Psalm 46:10)
Place: Calvary Church (L A Angel Room)
 5000 Country Club Road, Winston-Salem
Contact person: Carole Barnhardt (828) 728-6629

NC BAPTIST RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ASSOC.

Date: November 9
Time: 10:30 a.m. Registration; 11:00 a.m. Program;
 12:00 Noon Lunch
 Speaker: Ken Bagwell, Founder & CEO of
 DISCover Seminars
Place: Ardmore Church
 501 Miller Street, Winston-Salem
Contact person: Tom Turner (704) 252-2768

NC YOUTH MINISTERS' ASSOCIATION

Date: November 9
Time: 4:00 p.m. Fellowship
Place: College Park Church
 1701 Polo Road, Winston-Salem
Contact person: Ramon Smith (336) 768-5870

NC BAPTIST WOMEN IN MINISTRY

Date: November 9
Time: 2:30 p.m.
 Speaker: Nancy Sehested, Pastor
 Sweet Fellowship Church, Clyde, North Carolina
Place: Knollwood Church
 330 Knollwood Street; Winston-Salem
Contact person: Becky Albritton (919) 876-1519

BAPTIST SEMINARY AT RICHMOND

Date: November 10
Time: 12:15 p.m. (Lunch)
Place: Ramada Plaza Coliseum
 3050 University Parkway, Winston-Salem
Contact person: Beth McMahon (804) 355-8135

1998 MEETINGS IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ANNUAL BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION

CAMPBELL UNIVERSITY

Date: November 10
Time: 12:15 p.m. (Luncheon)—Cost: \$12.00 per person
Place: Lawrence Joel Veterans Memorial Coliseum
2825 University Parkway, Winston-Salem
Contact person: Doug Jones (800) 334-4111, ext. 1236

CHOWAN COLLEGE

Date: November 9
Time: 5:30–6:45 p.m. (Full hors'd'oeuvres), Reception hosted by Stan and Johnnye Jo Lott
Place: Lawrence Joel Veterans Memorial Coliseum (Assembly Room), 2825 University Parkway, Winston-Salem
Contact person: Vint Tilson (919) 398-1232

GARDNER-WEBB UNIVERSITY

Date: November 10
Time: 12:15 p.m. (Lunch)
Place: Lawrence Joel Veterans Memorial Coliseum (Assembly Room), 2825 University Parkway, Winston-Salem
Contact person: Matt Webber (704) 434-4637

MARS HILL COLLEGE

Date: November 9
Time: 5:00 p.m.
Place: Holiday Inn Select
5790 University Parkway, Winston-Salem
Contact person: Helen Dowling (704) 689-1102

MEREDITH COLLEGE

Date: November 10
Time: 5:00 p.m. (Dinner for Alumnae & Guests)
Place: Lawrence Joel Veterans Memorial Coliseum (Assembly Room), 2825 University Parkway, Winston-Salem
Contact person: Mary Kate Keith (919) 829-8548

WAKE FOREST UNIVERSITY

Date: November 9
Time: 5:15 p.m. (Dinner by reservation)
Place: Knollwood Church Fellowship Hall
330 Knollwood Street, Winston-Salem
Contact person: Lynn H. Parker (800) 393-4244

WINGATE UNIVERSITY

Date: November 10
Time: 7:30 a.m. (Breakfast)
Place: Lawrence Joel Veterans Memorial Coliseum (Assembly Room), 2825 University Parkway, Winston-Salem
Contact person: Julie McSwain Strom (704) 233-8114

ANNUITANTS' BREAKFAST

Date: November 11
Time: 7:00–8:30 a.m.
Place: Holiday Inn Select
5790 University Parkway, Winston-Salem
Contact person: Talmage Williams, Baptist State Convention
(800) 395-5102, ext. 172 or 171
(919) 467-5100, ext. 172 or 171

BAPTIST SEMINARY FOUNDATION

Date: November 11
Time: 7:00 a.m. (Breakfast)
Place: To be announced
Contact person: Victor N. Varner (713) 726-9592

DOM/ASSOCIATION STAFF

Date: November 9
Time: 5:30 p.m.
Place: Becks Church
5505 Becks Church Road, Winston-Salem
Contact person: Bobby Stafford (800) 395-5102, ext. 444
(919) 467-5100, ext. 444

SOUTHEASTERN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

Date: (Information not available at press time)
Time:
Place:
Contact person: George Harvey (919) 556-3101, ext. 201

NC INT'L MISSIONARY FELLOWSHIP

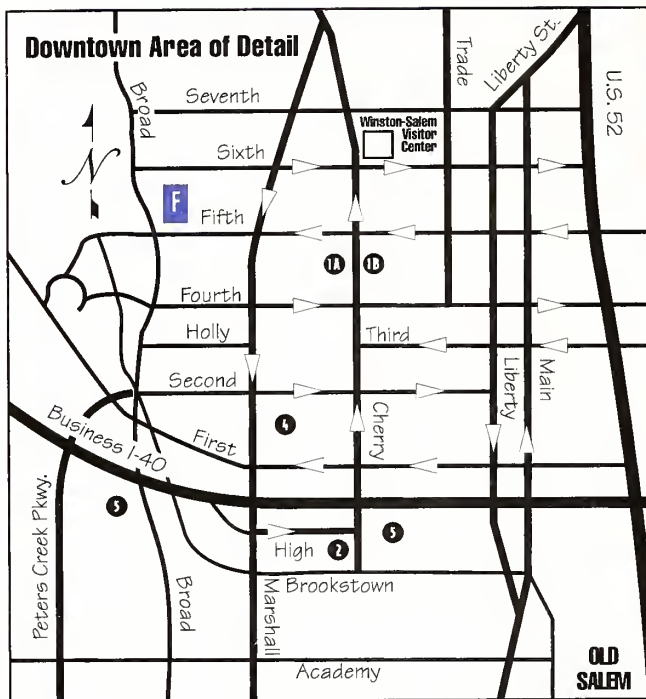
Date: November 9
Time: 4:00 p.m. Registration
5:30 p.m. Fellowship Dinner
Place: First Church
501 Fifth Street, Winston-Salem
Contact person: Ray W. Benfield (336) 765-5635

NC BAPTIST HISTORICAL SOCIETY

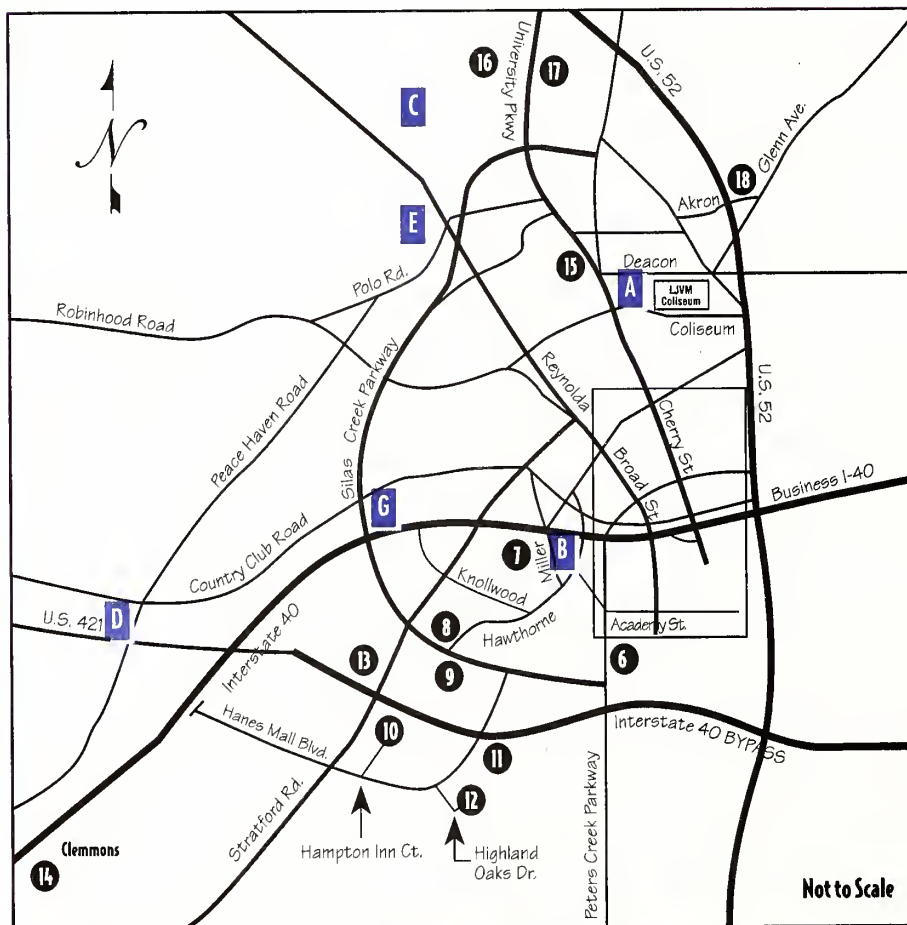
Date: November 9
Time: 2:00–4:00 p.m., Speaker: Charles Kimball, chairman
Religion Department, WFU (Subject: "Toward Understanding Islam")
Place: Lawrence Joel Veterans Memorial Coliseum (Assembly Room), 2825 University Parkway, Winston-Salem
Contact person: John Woodard (336) 759-5472

SOUTHWESTERN SEMINARY

Date: November 10
Time: 12:15 p.m.
Place: College Park Church, 1701 Polo Road, Winston-Salem
Contact person: Mike Butzberger (704) 487-6192



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Recommendations to the Baptist State Convention's 1999 Committee on Nominations

Listed below are the vacancies to be filled by the 1999 Committee on Nominations:

Campbell University

12 trustees

Chowan College

9 trustees

Gardner-Webb University

9 trustees

Mars Hill College

9 trustees

Wingate University

9 trustees

Baptist Children's Homes

9 trustees

Baptist Retirement Homes

5 trustees

Baptist Foundation

5 directors

Biblical Recorder

4 directors

Christian Life and Public Affairs

3 at-large members

General Board

Region 1

Region 2

Region 3

Region 4

Region 6

Region 8

Region 9

(If you wish to make a recommendation, please mail this entire page back to the Committee on Nominations.)

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1. Believing that the following person is committed to Jesus Christ, is a person of integrity, is active in the church and has proven leadership ability;
I recommend _____

2. Address _____

3. Telephone numbers () _____ (Bus.) () _____ (Res.)

4. Approximate age _____ Man _____ Woman _____

5. Check the ONE (General Board, Agency, Council, Institution) you believe this person can best serve:

☐ Baptist Foundation

☐ Campbell University

☐ Biblical Recorder

☐ Chowan College

☐ Baptist Children's Homes

☐ Gardner-Webb University

☐ N.C. Baptist Retirement Homes

☐ Mars Hill College

☐ General Board

☐ Wingate University

☐ Christian Life Council

6. Region and association in which church is located: _____

7. Nominee's church _____ Resident membership _____

Church address _____

Church telephone number () _____

List past and present positions held in the local church: _____

Give statement as to the past and present support of this person to this church and to North Carolina Baptists: _____

Denominational service (past and present): _____

8. Is person an ordained minister? _____

If a minister, list previous ministries: _____

9. If a layperson, occupation: _____

Brief resume of business or professional experience: _____

Please attach a separate sheet for additional information you feel would be helpful to this Committee.

Please understand that this recommendation DOES NOT assure that the person you are recommending will be nominated by the Committee on Nominations and/or elected by the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina; however, your recommendation will be given serious consideration. "The consent of a nominee to serve shall be secured by the Committee on Nominations." Bylaw II., E., 4., d.

Name of person making recommendation: _____
(Please print or type name)

(mailing address)

Telephone no. () _____

Church _____

Region/association _____

Date: _____

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Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone: Office _____ Home _____

Church Association

Leadership Position _____

Registration Fee (if applicable) \$ _____ Number in group (if applicable) _____

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